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## 1. INTRODUCTION

The distributions presented in this volume have been derived from the well-known Robinson-Bauer-Schroeder (1979) analysis of bathythermograph and hydrocast archive data to give monthly mean temperature and mean salinity values at standard depths in a  $1^\circ \times 1^\circ$  array. Their analyzed data have been interpolated onto density surfaces and are presented as isopycnic maps and sections. The analysis was undertaken as part of an investigation of water mass conversion and circulation in the warm water sphere of the North Atlantic Ocean.

Isopycnic analysis was introduced into oceanography fifty years ago by Montgomery (1938) and Parr (1938). Isopycnic maps and sections have since appeared in many atlases and papers, although the traditional isobaric presentation remains much more common. A selection of publications including isopycnic maps or sections is listed on page 3.

Presentation of hydrographic data as distributions on isopycnic surfaces offers a number of advantages over the more common isobaric presentation. Firstly, mixing occurs more freely along density surfaces than across them because the former involves no work against the Archimedes force. The power input to three dimensional turbulence in the stratified interior of the ocean is so weak that diapycnic mixing normally achieves very much less vertical transport of passive scalars than isopycnic mixing along inclined (baroclinic) density surfaces by quasi-geostrophic turbulence (Garrett, 1982).

$$\text{i.e. } K_d \nabla_d S \ll b^2 \cdot K_l \nabla_l S$$

where the subscripts  $d$  and  $l$  refer to components of the diffusivities  $K$  and the gradients  $\nabla$  directed across and along the density surface respectively, and  $b$  is the slope of the density surface. For that reason, isopycnic analysis has proved particularly valuable in geochemistry (Broecker, 1981) and especially in studying the spreading of transient tracers (Sarmiento et al., 1982).

Isopycnic analysis is also the first step in mapping the distribution of potential vorticity, which is inversely proportional to the spacing between two isopycnic surfaces. Maps of thickness have been published by Tsuchiya (1968). Potential vorticity is mixed along density surfaces like Rhines, 1979. Maps of the large-scale isopycnic distribution of Sverdrupian potential vorticity (in which the relative vorticity is assumed to be negligible compared with the planetary vorticity because of the large scale) have been

published by Sarmiento (1982) and McDowell, Rhines & Keffer, 1982. Mesoscale isopycnic maps of thickness and potential vorticity have been published by Leach, Minnett & Woods (1984) and Fischer, Leach & Woods (1985).

The analysis of climatological data onto isopycnic (rather than isobaric) surfaces also facilitates comparison with expedition data, since it eliminates spurious differences arising from transient vertical displacement by internal waves and quasi-geostrophic eddies (see, for example, the comparison in Leach, Minnett & Woods, 1985).

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**Some publications that include isopycnic maps or sections**

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<b>Date</b>	<b>Authors</b>	<b>Reference</b>
1937	R.B. Montgomery	Bull. American Met. Soc. 18, 210-212
1938	E.A. Parr	J. Mar. Res. 1, 269-290
1942	R.B. Montgomery & M.J. Pollak	J. Mar. Res. 5, 20-27
1965	J.L. Reid	Intermediate waters of the Pacific Ocean
1968	M. Tsuchiya	Upper waters of the intertropical Pacific Oc.
1968	R.A. Barkley	Oceanographic Atlas of the Pacific Ocean
1970-73	C.M. Love (Ed.)	Eastropac atlas (7 volumes)
1971	K. Wyrtki	Oceanographic atlas of the International Indian Ocean expedition
1971	J.L. Reid & R.J. Lynn	Deep-Sea Res. 18, 1063-1088
1972	J.E. Callahan	Deep-Sea Res. 19, 563-575
1973	J.L. Reid	Northwest Pacific ocean waters in winter
1981	A.L. Gordon & E.J. Molinelli	Southern Ocean Atlas
1982	S. Levitus	Climatological Atlas of the World Ocean
1982	J.L. Sarmiento C.G.H. Rooth & W. Roether	J. Geophys. Res. 87, 8047-8056.

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## 2. DATA PROCESSING

### 2.1 The Robinson-Bauer-Schroeder numerical atlas

The starting point for our work was the numerical version of the atlas produced by Robinson, Bauer & Schroeder (1979). Descriptions of the archive data used in the compilation of the atlas, and the processing method, are given in Robinson, Bauer & Schroeder (1979). Its special feature is that the concentration of bathythermograph data is sufficient to justify calculation of monthly mean temperature at intervals of  $1^\circ$  latitude and longitude in the top 150 m. The high spatial resolution has been retained for temperature at depths greater than 150 m and for salinity at all depths, although the data base is then too small to justify stratification by month of the year. The monthly mean temperatures at depths down to 150 m and the high spatial resolution provide information about the seasonal cycle that is missing from atlases (e.g. Levitus, 1982) which use hydrocast, but not bathythermograph data.

### 2.2 Seasonal variation

The Robinson-Bauer-Schroeder numerical atlas offers us the possibility of climatological isopycnic analysis of the seasonally varying component of the upper ocean. On the other hand the limitations of the atlas (no monthly mean temperatures below 150 m or salinities at any depth) forced us to base our analysis on a pseudo-monthly-mean density, which is only an approximation to the monthly mean density that would be calculated from an "ideal" atlas comprising monthly mean temperature and salinity at all depths. Our assumption is that the difference between the pseudo- and ideal- monthly mean density distributions are not so serious as to invalidate the isopycnic distributions presented herein. Differences can arise from a variety of sources. We shall briefly consider three of them, namely (1) seasonal variation below 150 m, (2) seasonal variation of salinity in the top 150 m and (3) secular change of temperature and salinity.

(1) Seasonal variation below 150 metres

The numerical atlas data exhibit significant variation of temperature at 150 m, the maximum depth for which monthly mean values are given. An estimate of the maximum depth of seasonal variation might be obtained by determining the depth at which the seasonal minimum surface temperature occurs in the annual mean temperature profile. Robinson et al. (1979) used a similar method, based on the monthly mean surface temperature minus 2 Fahrenheit degrees (approximately 1 K), to determine the depth of the mixed layer each month. Only in or near the tropics is the annual maximum depth of the mixed layer, so calculated, less than 150 m. Seasonal variation extends deeper at higher latitudes.

(2) Seasonal variation of salinity

Seasonal variation of salinity at North Atlantic Ocean Weather Stations has been described by Taylor & Stephens (1980). Table 1 shows the range of surface density variations due to the seasonal cycle of salinity. The changes are small and contribute little to the seasonal variation of density in the seasonal pycnocline. If there were no seasonal variation of salinity, isohalines would remain vertical in an isopycnally plotted section through the seasonal pycnocline. The isohalines in fig. 1 do indeed rise almost vertically through the seasonal pycnocline, showing that neglect of the seasonal variation of salinity will not normally lead to serious error in calculation of the depths of isopycnals in the seasonal pycnocline. The neglect of seasonal variation of salinity in our analysis and the data bias towards summer samples do not therefore seem to be serious.

Table 1: Annual range of surface density due to salinity changes observed at Ocean Weather Stations (after Taylor & Stephens, 1980)

$\beta\Delta S/\text{kg m}^{-3}$	OWS	Latitude		Longitude	
0.048	A	62°	N	33°	W
0.143	B	56.5°	N	51°	W
0.080	C	52.7°	N	35.5°	W
0.177	D	44°	N	41°	W
0.070	E	35°	N	48°	W
0.040	I	59°	N	19°	W
0.028	J	52.5	N	20°	W
0.021	K	45°	N	16°	W
0.068	M	66°	N	2°	E

### (3) Longer term changes of temperature and salinity

Pu & Pollard (1984) have shown that the salinity in the North East Atlantic has changed significantly over recent decades. There is also evidence of interannual and decadal variation of temperature. The archive data set sampled this secular variation unevenly over the period 1900 to 1974, with different sampling profiles for temperature and salinity in the upper 150 m because the former is dominated by bathythermographs and the latter by hydrocasts. Below 150 m, both temperature and salinity were obtained from hydrocast data with the same sampling profile. Our knowledge concerning interannual and decadal variation is not sufficient to justify attempting to correct for these sampling biases.

### **2.3 Density profiles**

The monthly mean density profiles were calculated for the whole water column, from the atlas temperature and salinity data. Density inversions were eliminated by monotonisation wherever they occurred, above 150 m in the winter months. Wherever density values at depths greater than 150 m made inversions, they were replaced with the value at 150 m (fig. 2). Temperature was corrected to the value consistent with salinity and density where this correction was made.

### **2.4 Isopycnals**

Values of pressure, temperature and salinity were interpolated vertically onto selected density surfaces.

### 3. THE NUMERICAL ATLAS ON THE IFM COMPUTER

This chapter gives a brief introduction to using the numerical atlas installed on the computer of the Institut für Meereskunde (VAX 11/750). It describes the general structure of the data, and the programs used to extract the products illustrated in this atlas.

#### 3.1 General data structure

The numerical atlas installed at the IfM computer contains hydrographical data of the Atlantic Ocean between 5° S and 60° N and 0° W and 90° W in a 1° x 1° geographical grid and at the following depth levels: 0, 30, 60, 90, 125, 150, 183, 200, 244, 250, 300, 305, 366, 400, 500, 600, 700, 800, 900, 1000, 1100, 1200, 1300, 1400, 1500, 1750, 2000, 2500, 3000, 4000, 5000, 6000, 7000 m. The basic data set contains 4266 profiles recorded in 112074 cycles of 17 variables.

It starts at the north-west corner of the North Atlantic. Along each latitude profiles are aligned from west to east. The mean value calculated by averaging the sample values lying in a 1° x 1° grid square is labeled to the centre of the grid square (fig. 3). Position values are positive north of the equator and east of the Greenwich meridian and negative south of the equator and west of Greenwich. The data is stored in the MK4-Format (Holtorff, 1980), a binary code for real numbers, used at the IFM for all kinds of data processing. It is therefore compatible with other data used at the IFM. The standard processing programmes of the MK4-System could be applied for further processing of the atlas data and various transfer programs allow an uncomplicated transfer to other computers (Holtorff, 1984).

#### 3.2 Processing programs

The computer programs used to obtain the products presented in this volume from the numerical atlas are briefly described below.

Various kinds of subsets can be extracted from a data set by program EXTRAC. It was applied here to select monthly files in profile form from the atlas data set.

$\sigma_\theta$  was calculated from monthly mean temperatures and all-data mean salinities using program EICH5.

Program MONINT monotonized the density, reiterated temperature and interpolated temperature, salinity and depth on selected  $\sigma_\theta$  values.

Again EXTRAC selected single surfaces of constant  $\sigma_\theta$  out of the interpolated profiles.

Program MEGRUM a two-dimensional interpolation contour program for geographical data fields was used to produce the horizontal charts. The positions of the isolines are converted into geographical coordinates.

The plotting of the charts was done with PLMEGR, which plots a cartographic projection on a cylinder mantle (e.g. Mercator projection). The possibility to include data sets with geographical coordinates was used here to plot coastlines and isolines.

The objective analysis program OBJANT was applied to produce equally spaced profiles along the tracks of the SFB standard sections.

The contouring of the vertical sections was done with program CONREC.

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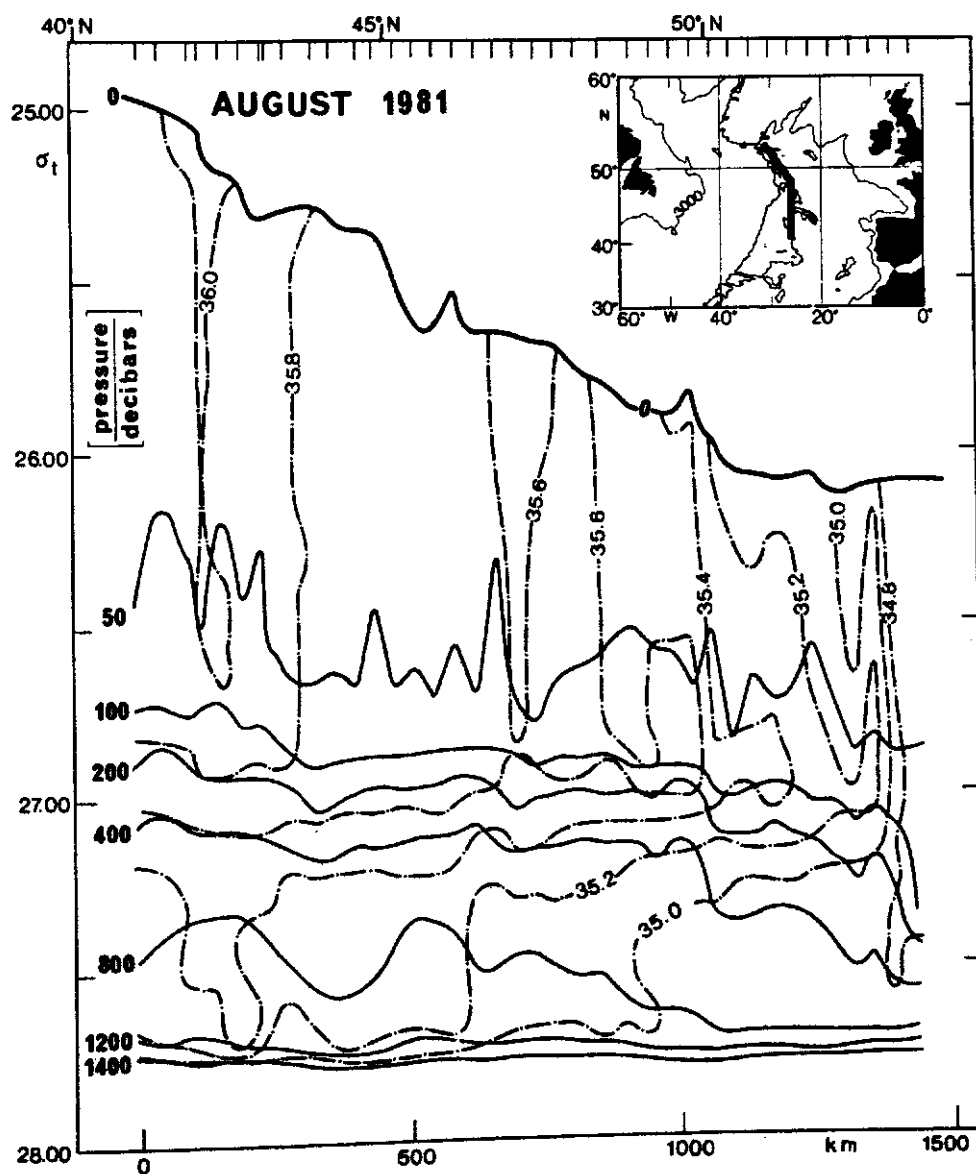


Fig. 1: Isopycnic presentation of the distribution of salinity and pressure in a hydrographic section going north from the Azores (data from Meincke & Sy, 1983).

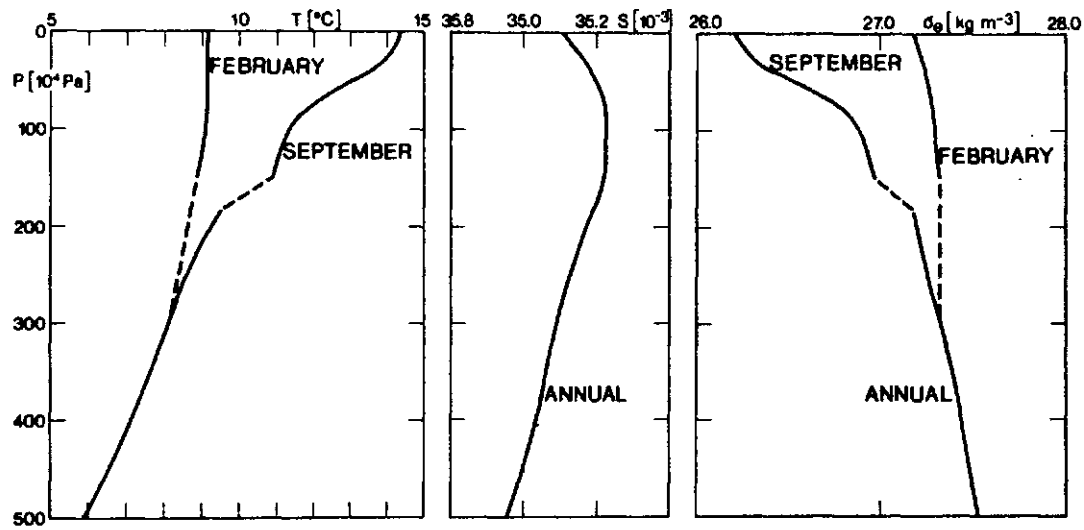


Fig. 2: Monthly mean profiles of temperature, salinity and density from the atlas for the  $1^\circ \times 1^\circ$  square at position  $50^\circ\text{N } 35^\circ\text{W}$  in February and September. The broken lines indicate the procedure used to obtain monthly mean values in the seasonally-varying layer below 150 metres.

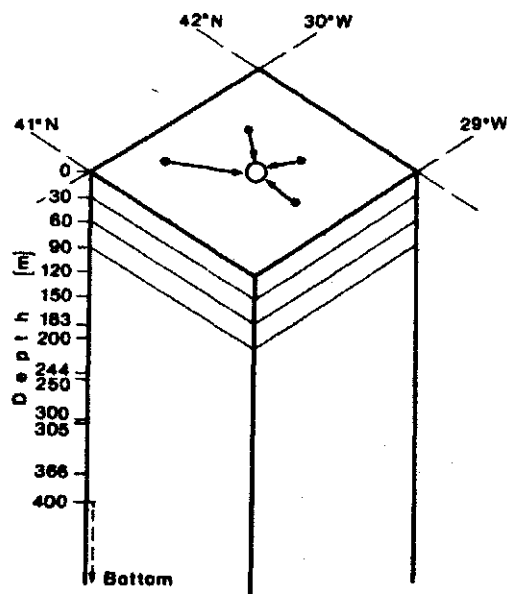


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Fig. 4:  
PRESSURE ( $10^4$  Pa) on  $\sigma_\theta = 25.0 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$  JANUARY

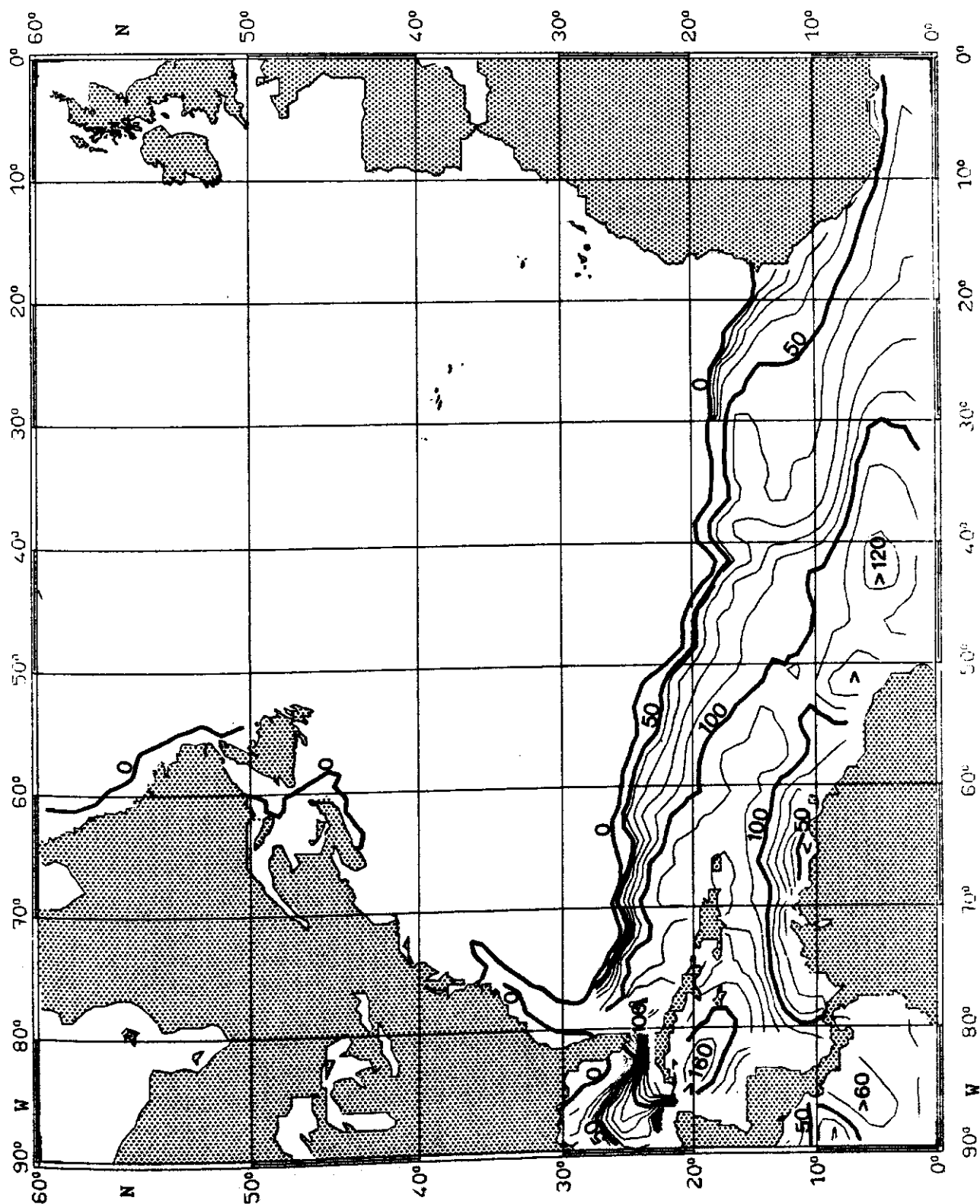


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TEMPERATURE ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ) on  $\sigma_{\theta} = 25.0 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$

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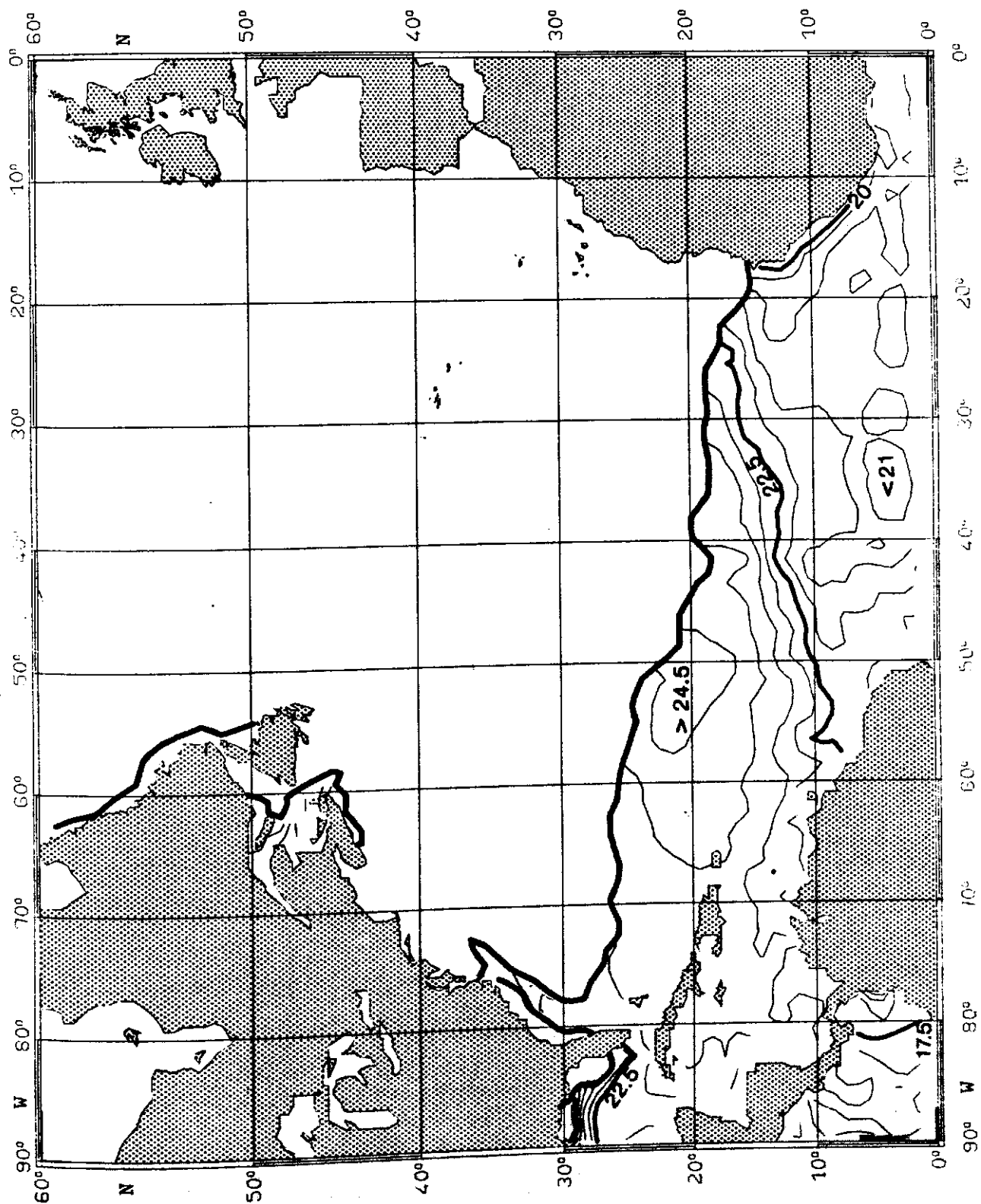




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SALINITY ( $10^{-3}$ ) on  $\sigma_{\theta} = 25.0 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$  JANUARY

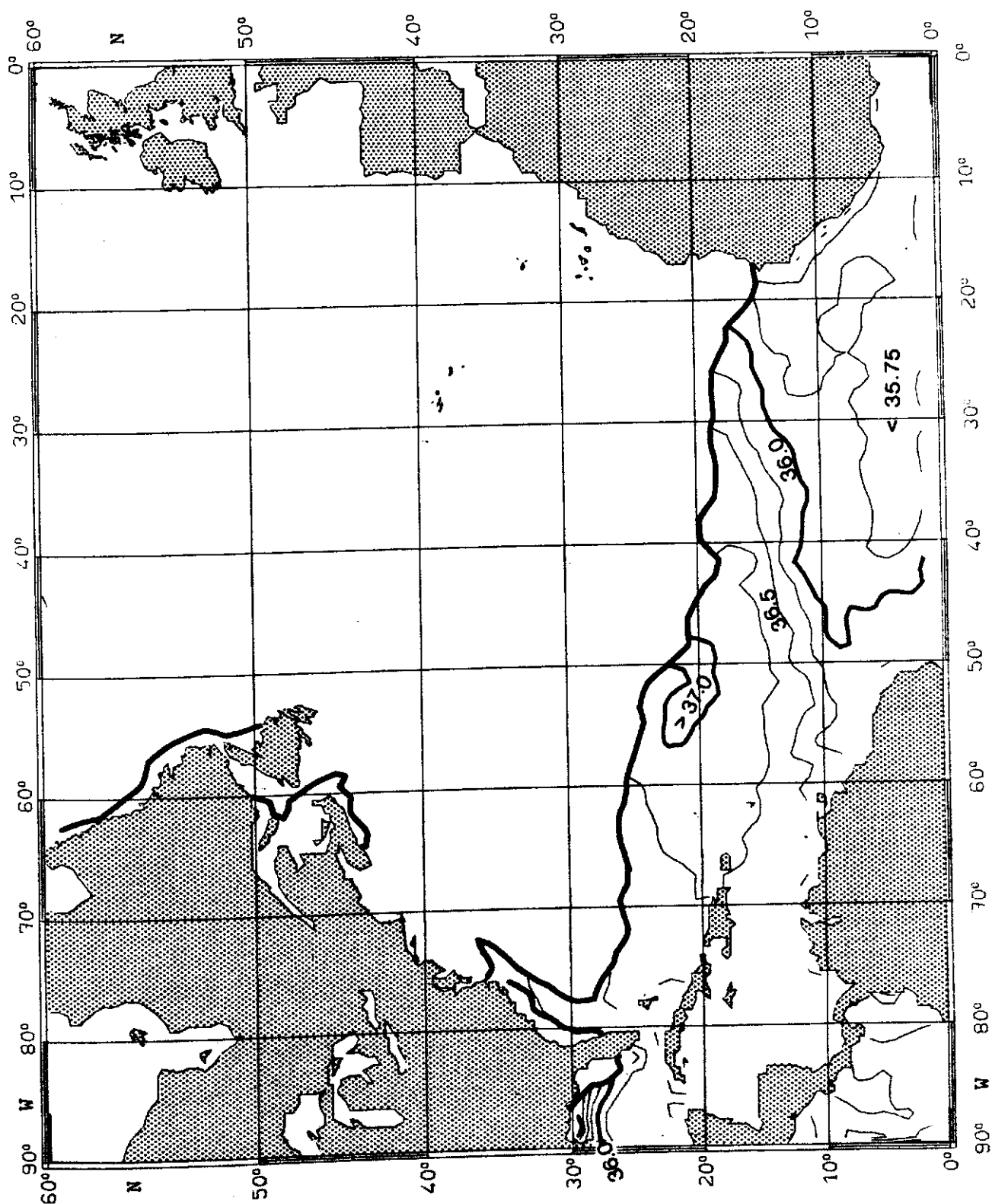


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PRESSURE ( $10^4$  Pa) on  $\sigma_\theta = 26.0 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$

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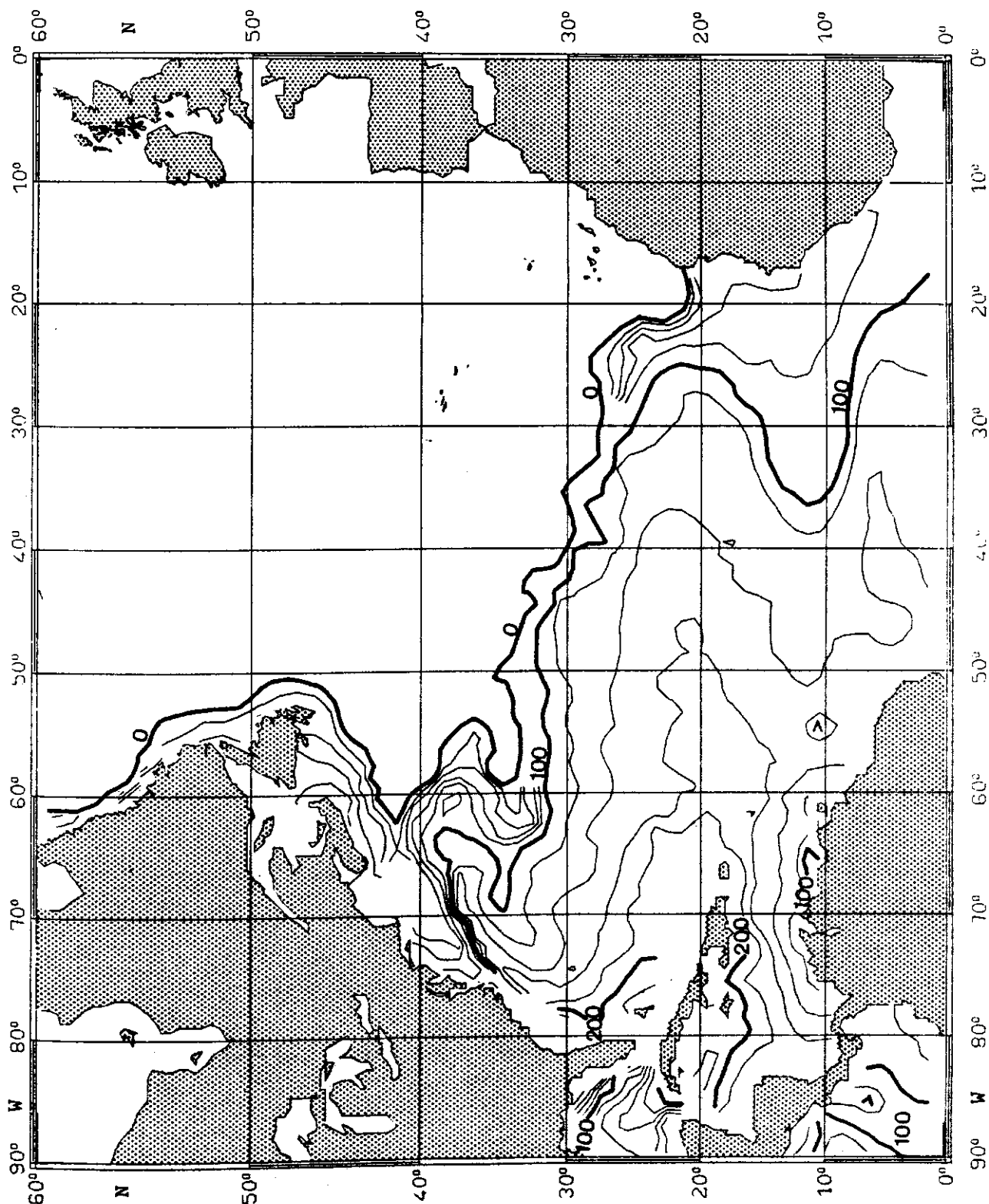


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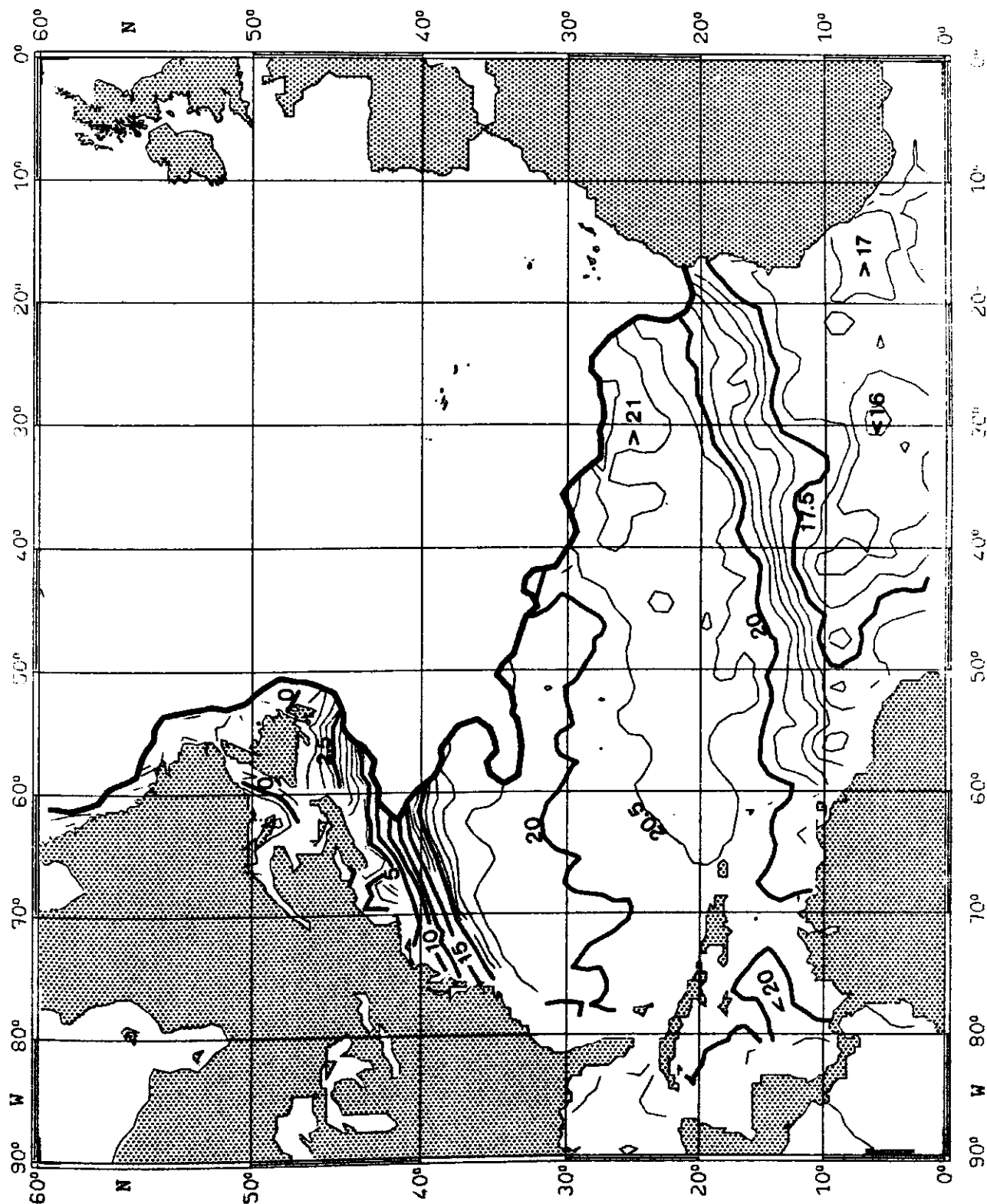


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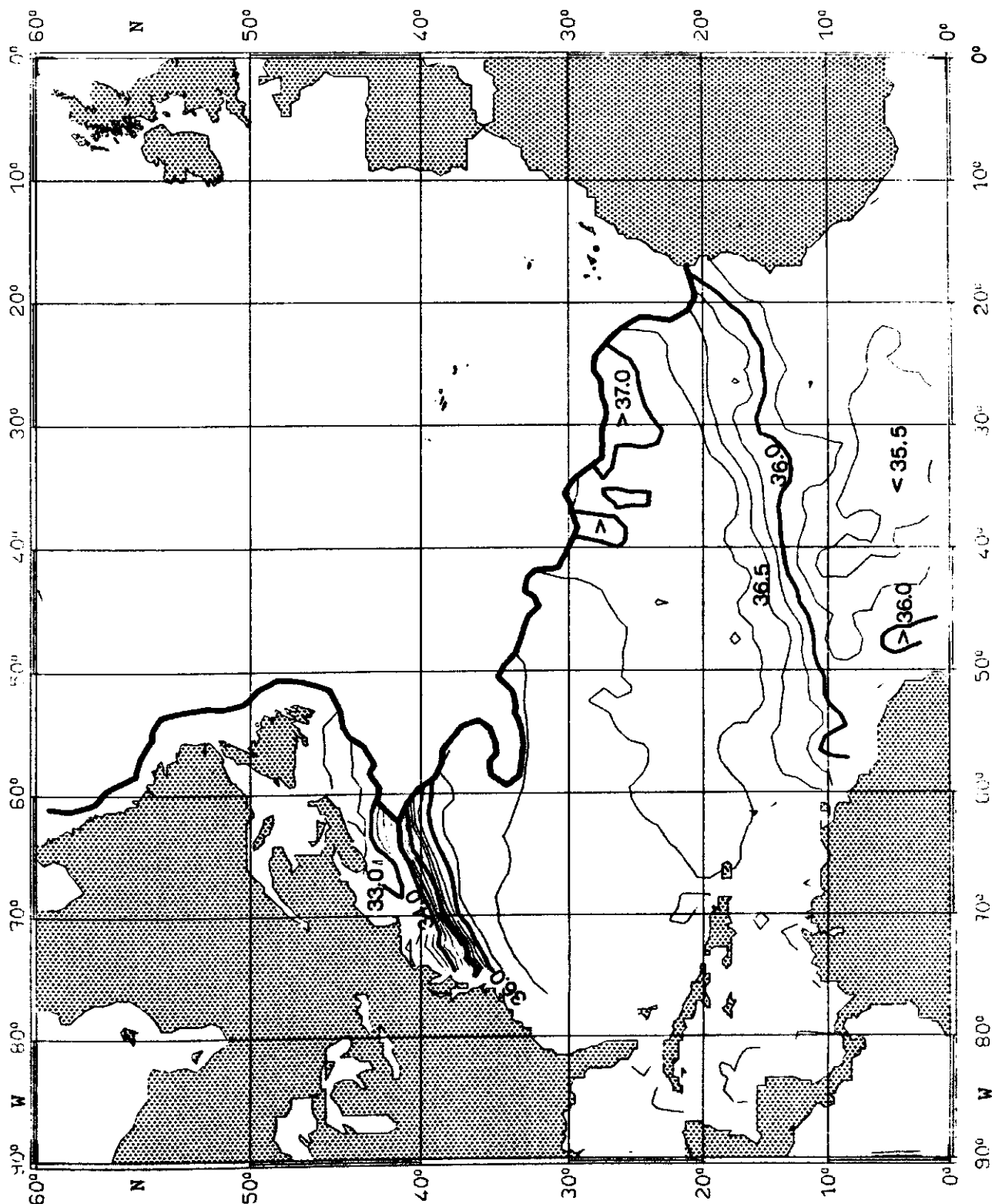


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PRESSURE ( $10^4$  Pa) on  $\sigma_\theta = 27.0 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$

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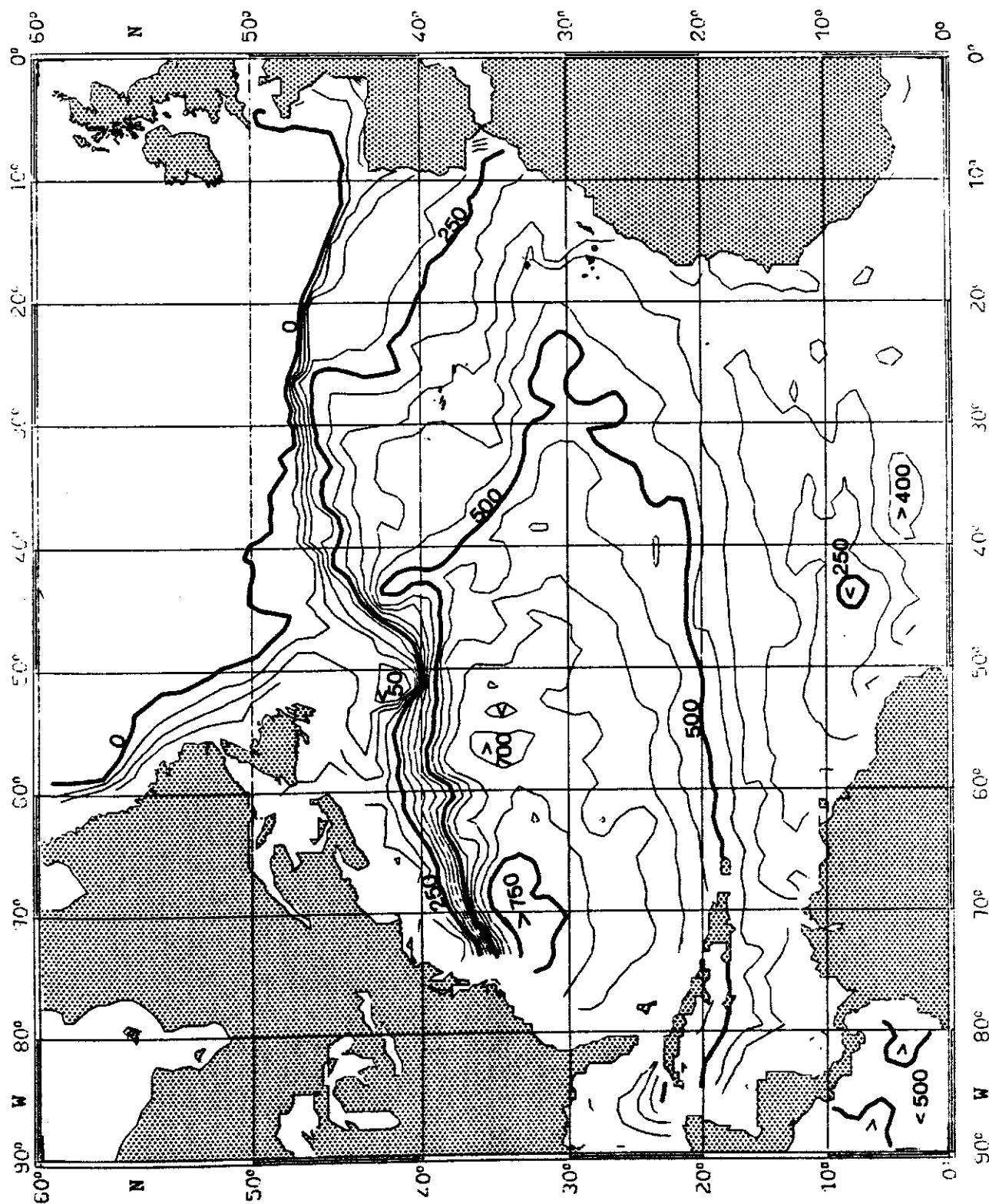


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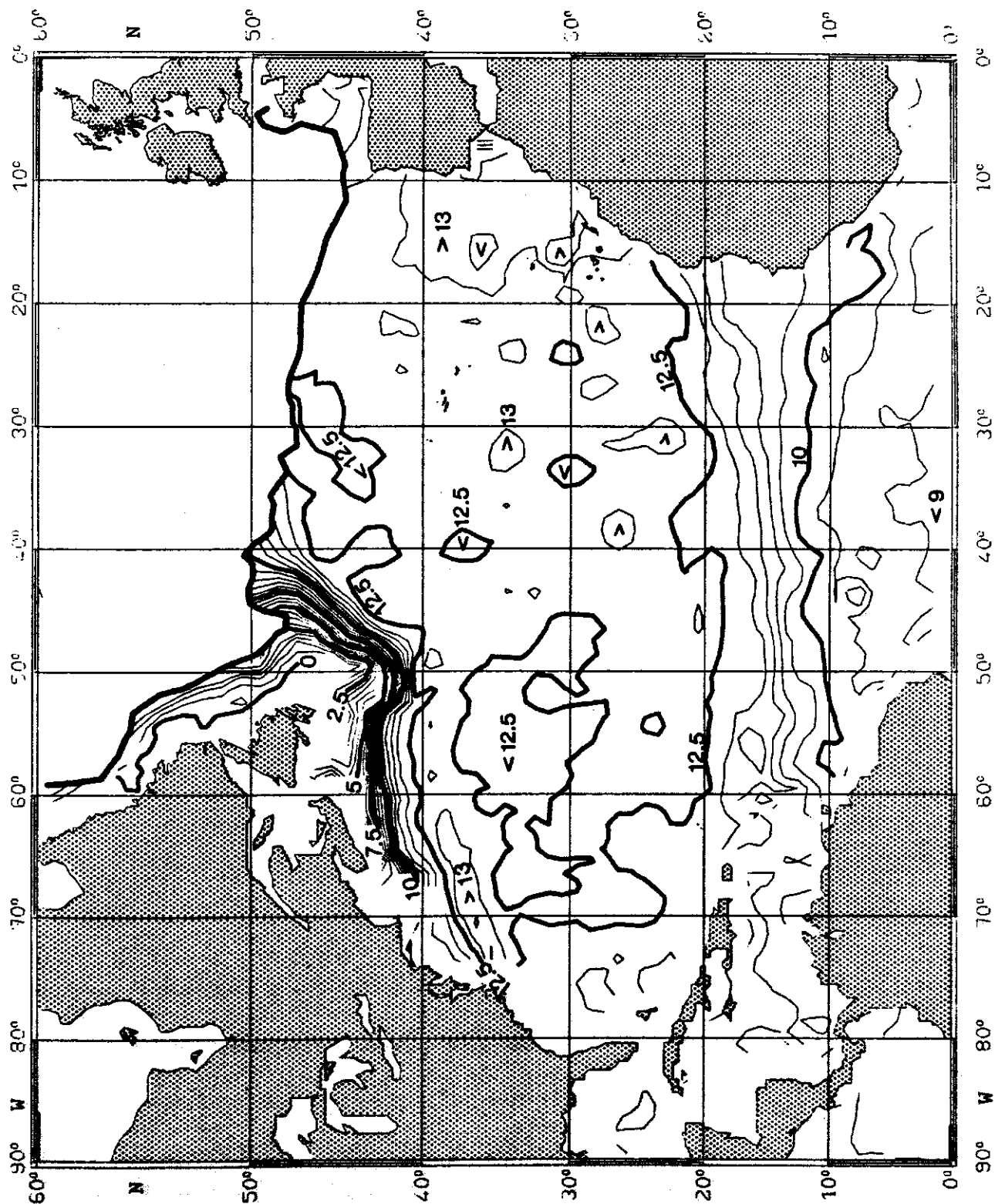


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SALINITY ( $10^{-3}$ ) on  $\sigma_{\theta} = 27.0 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$  JANUARY

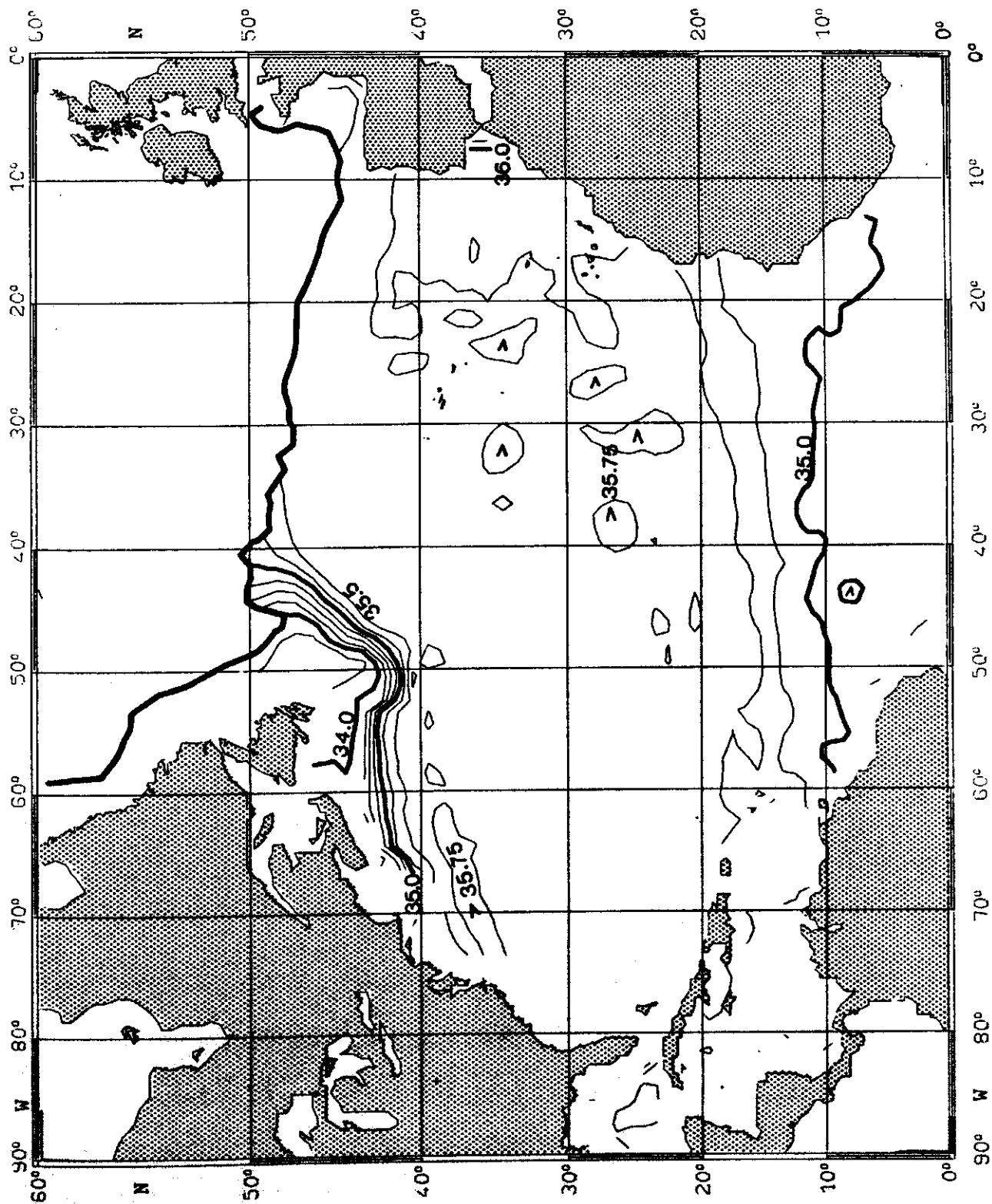


Fig. 13:

PRESSURE ( $10^4$  Pa) on  $\sigma_\theta = 25.0 \text{ kg}^{-3}$

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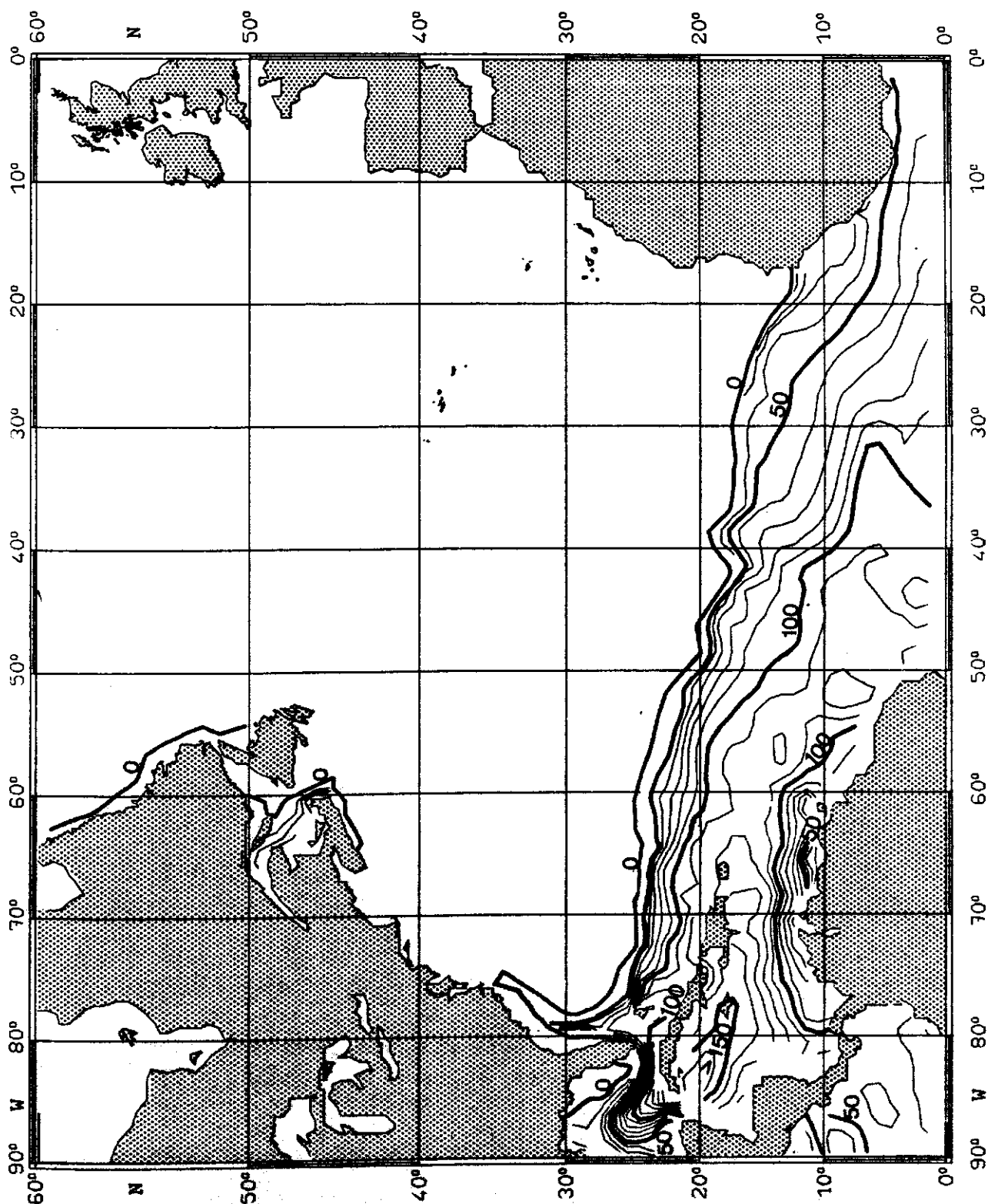




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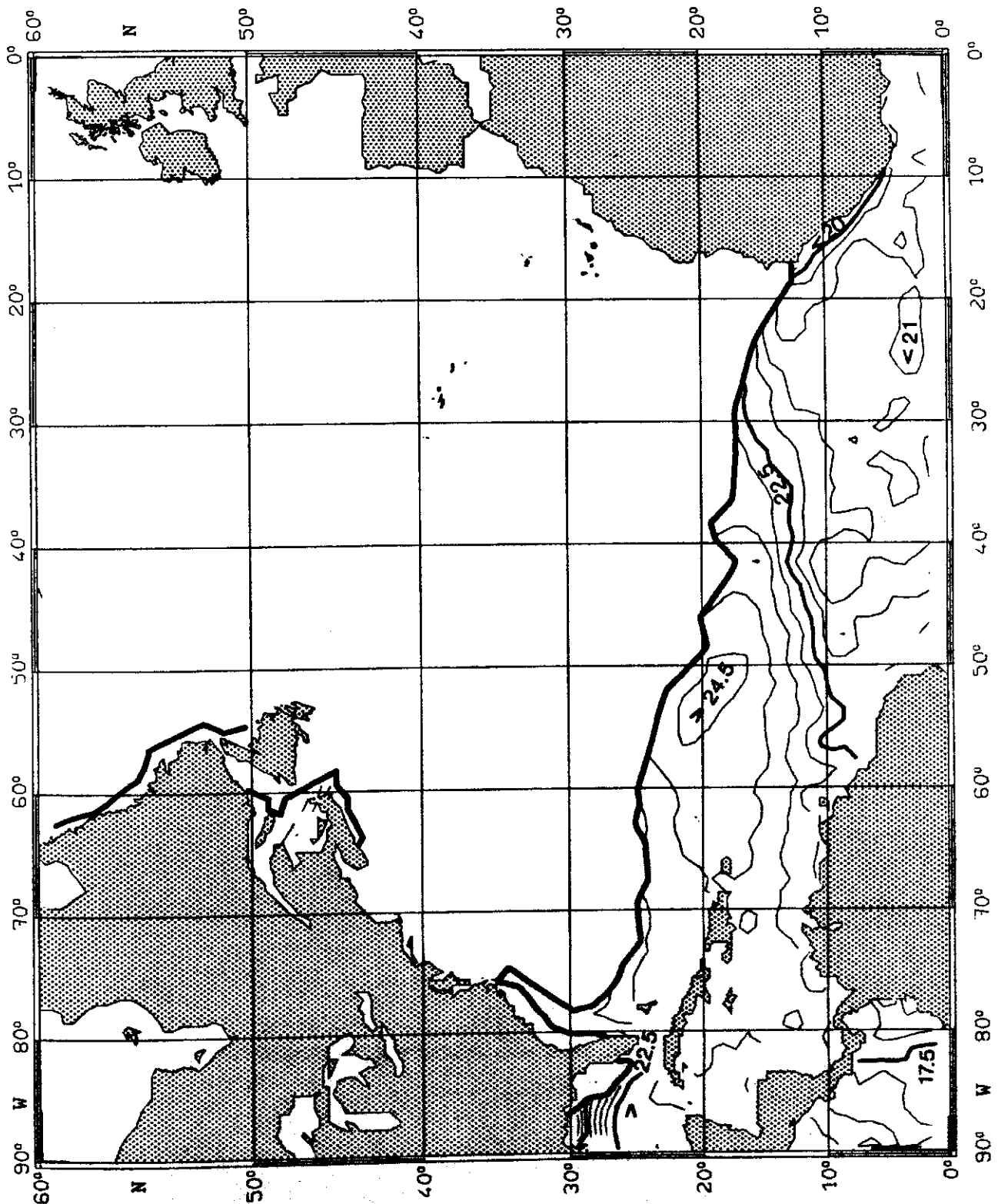


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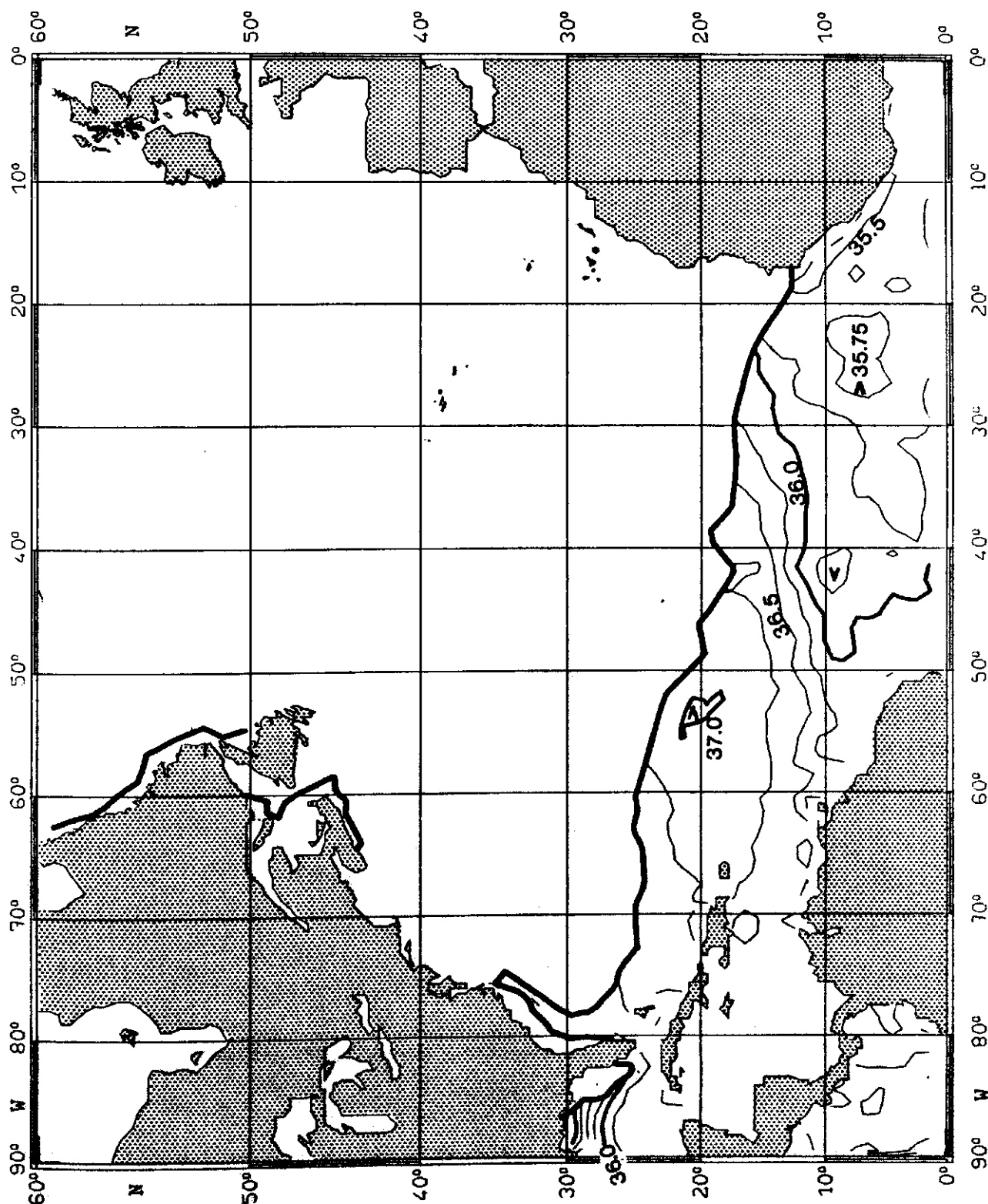


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PRESSURE ( $10^4$  Pa) on  $\sigma_\theta = 26.0 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$

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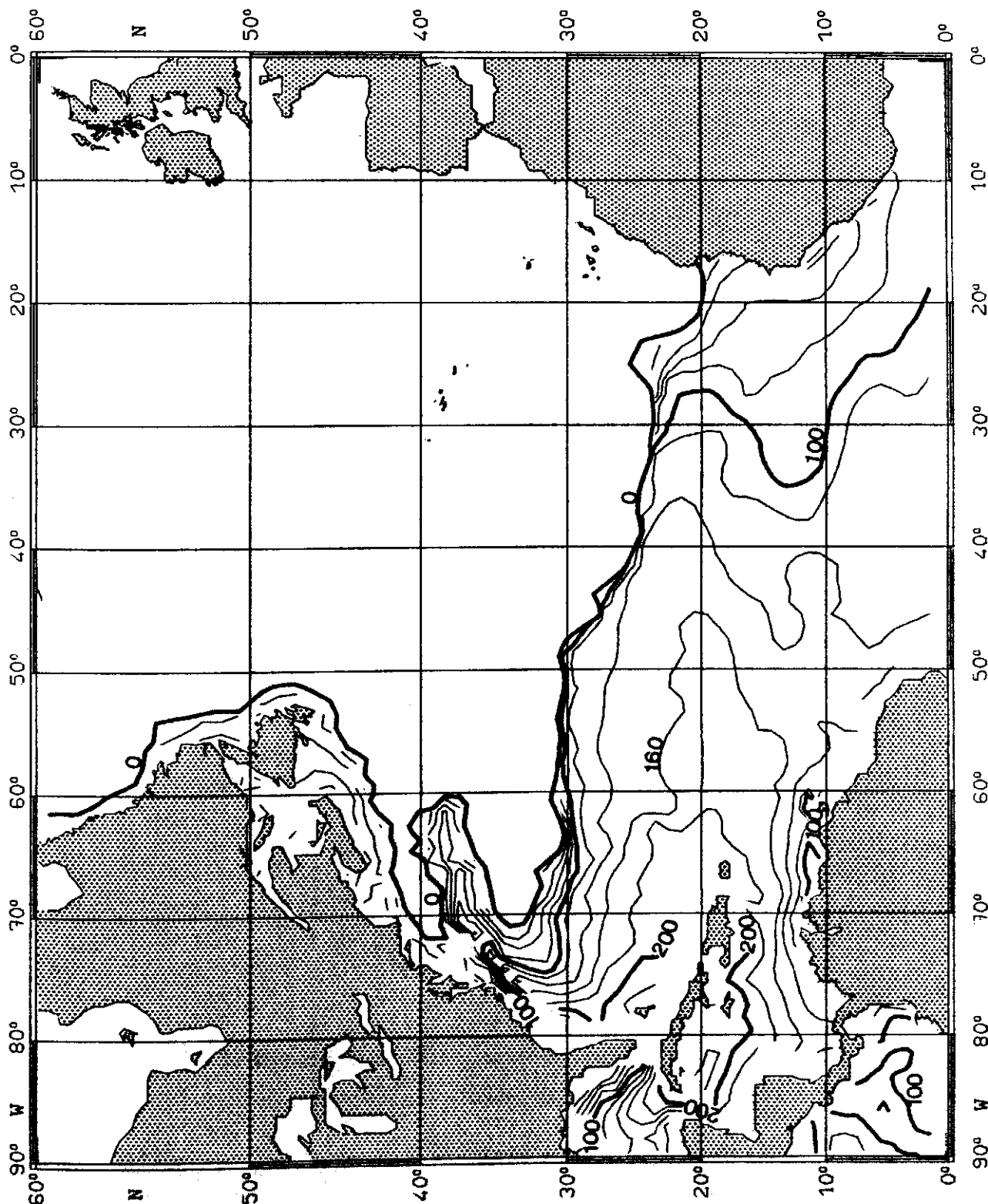


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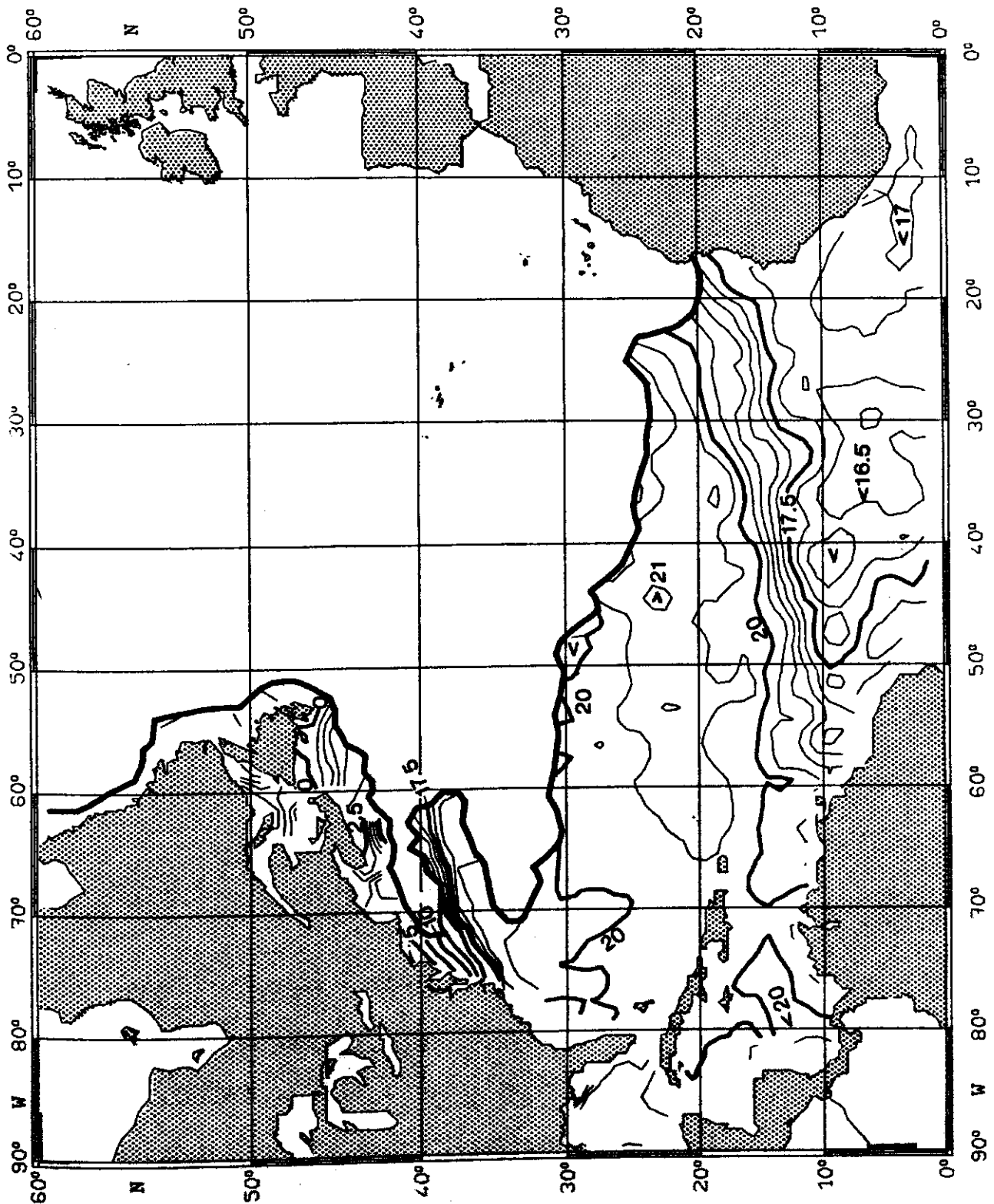


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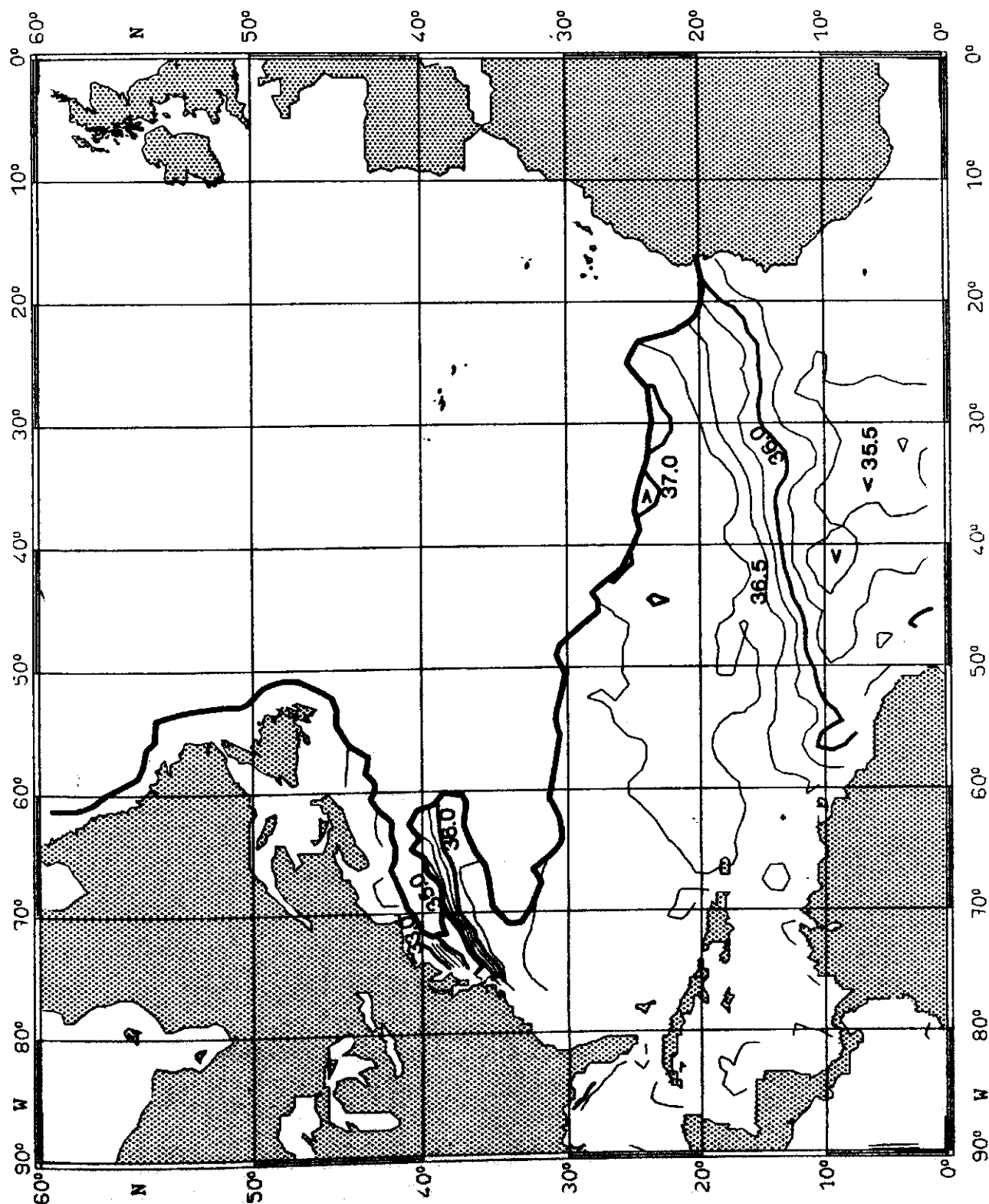


Fig. 19:

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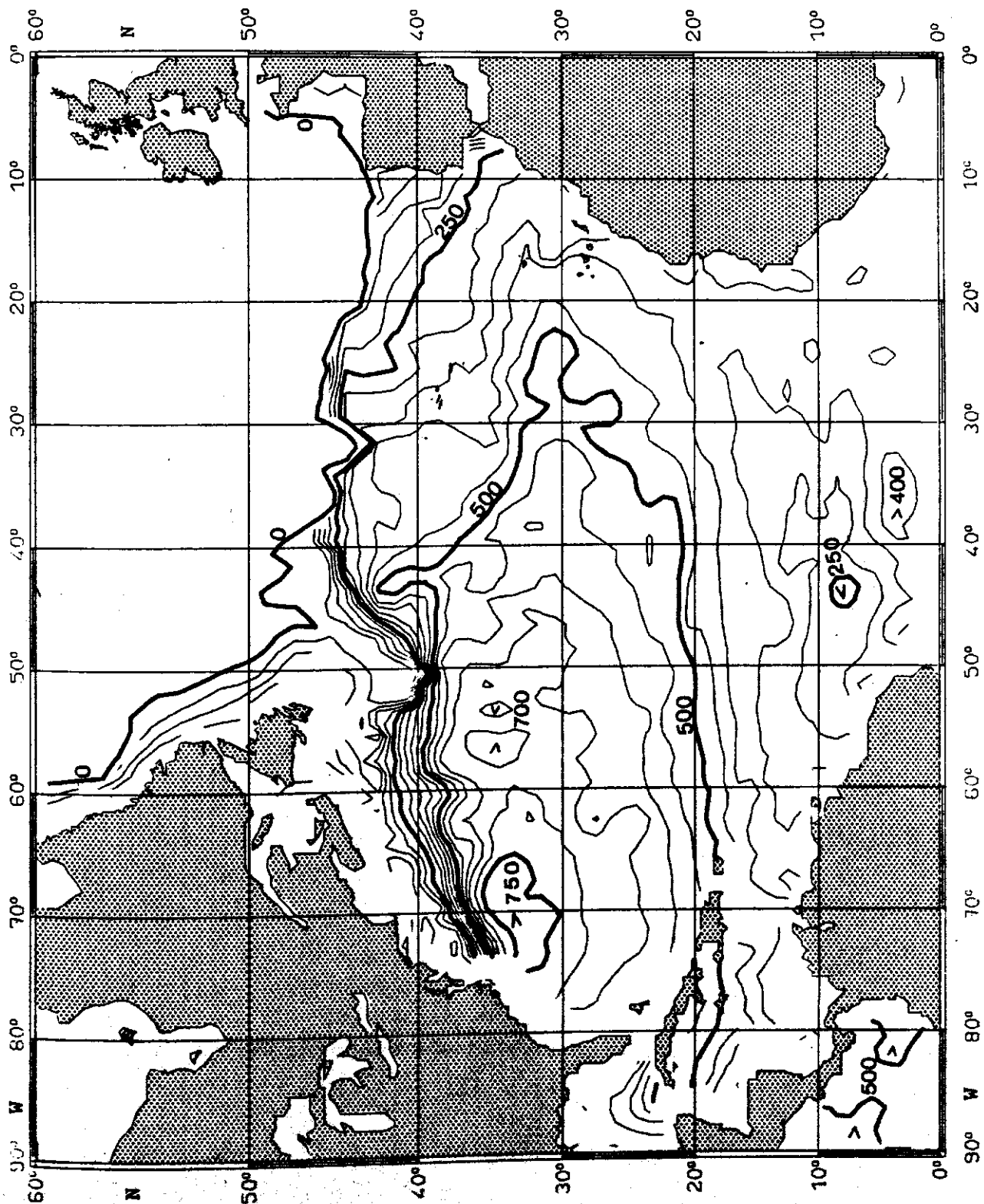


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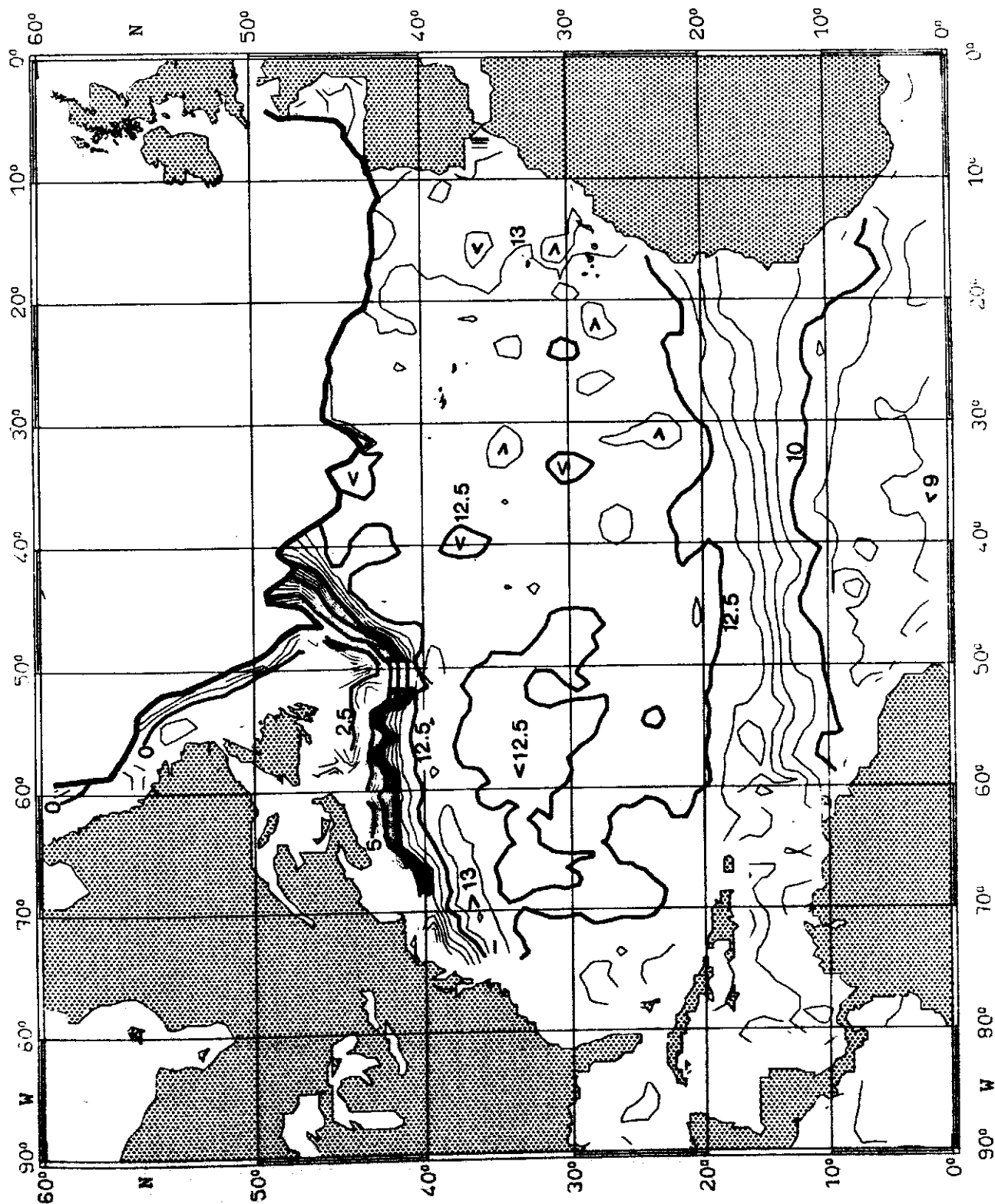


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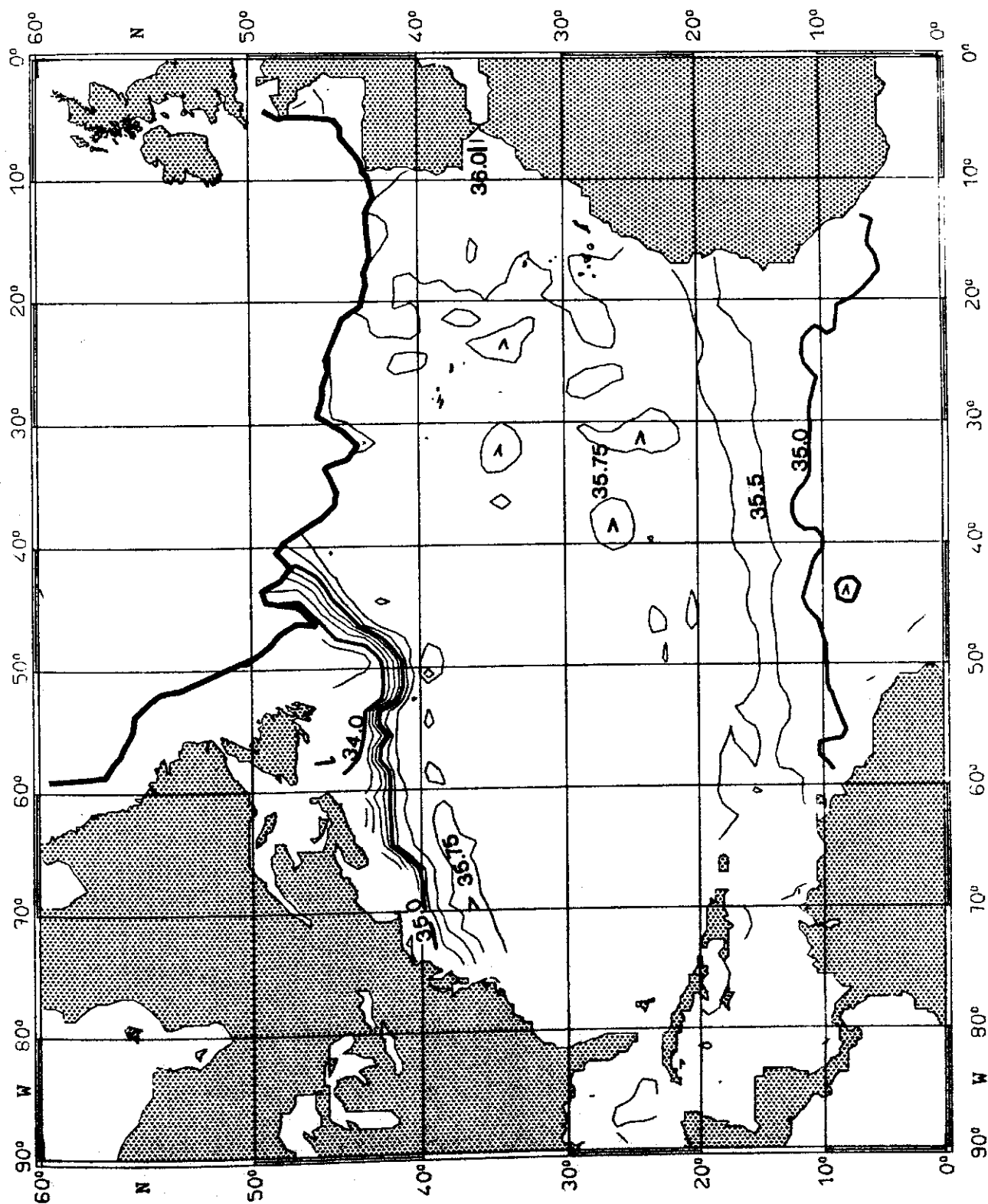




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PRESSURE ( $10^4$  Pa) on  $\sigma_\theta = 27.5 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$

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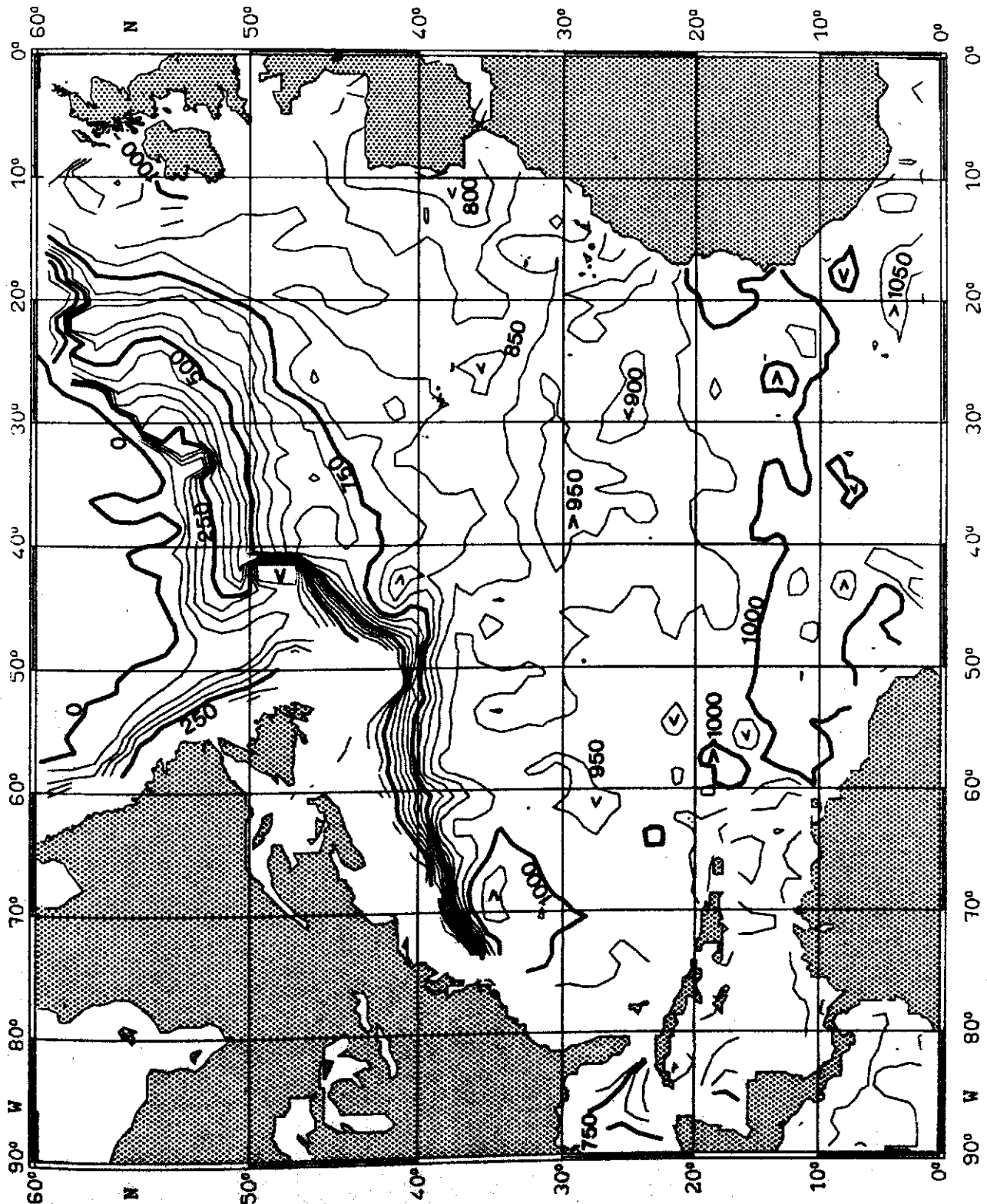


Fig. 23:

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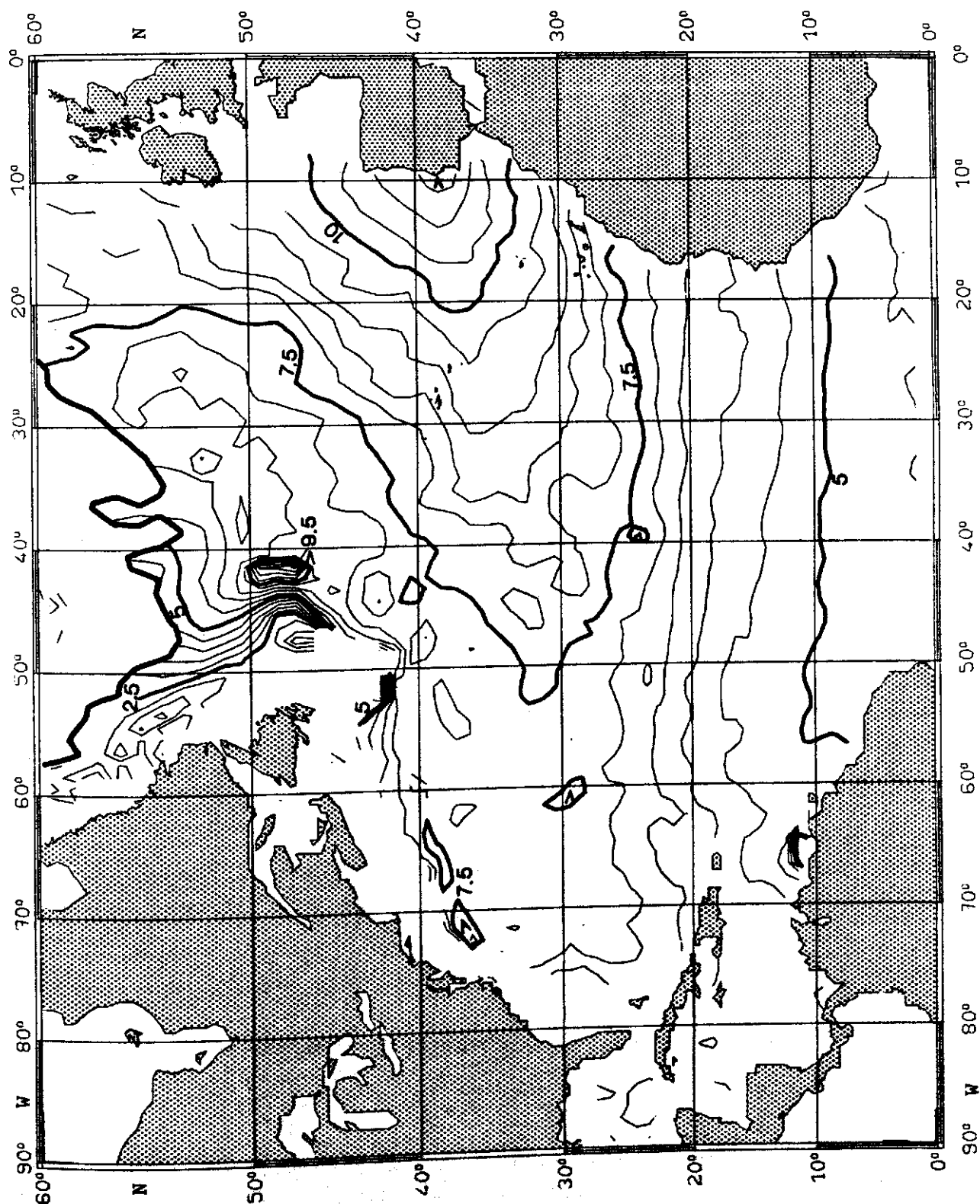


Fig. 24:

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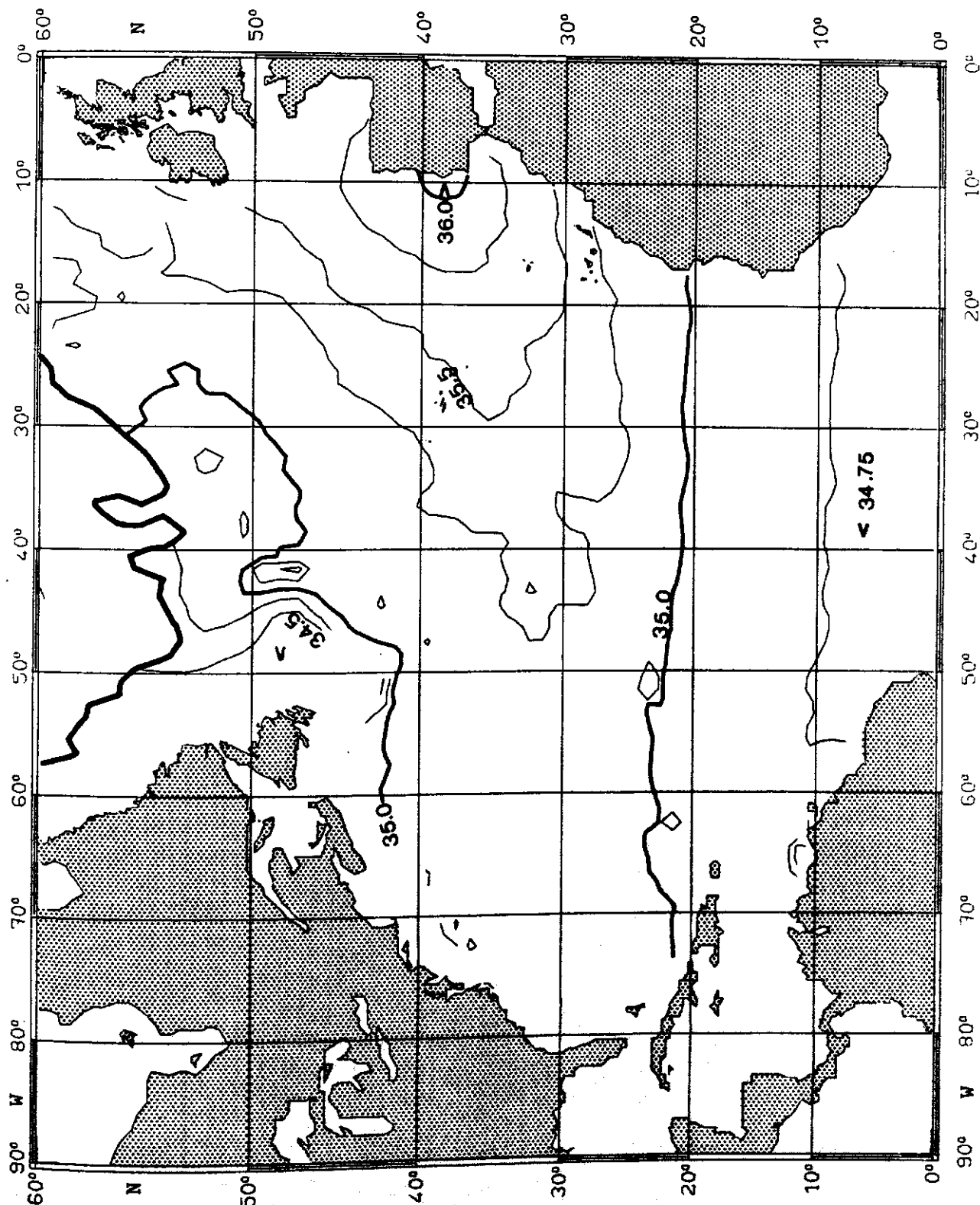


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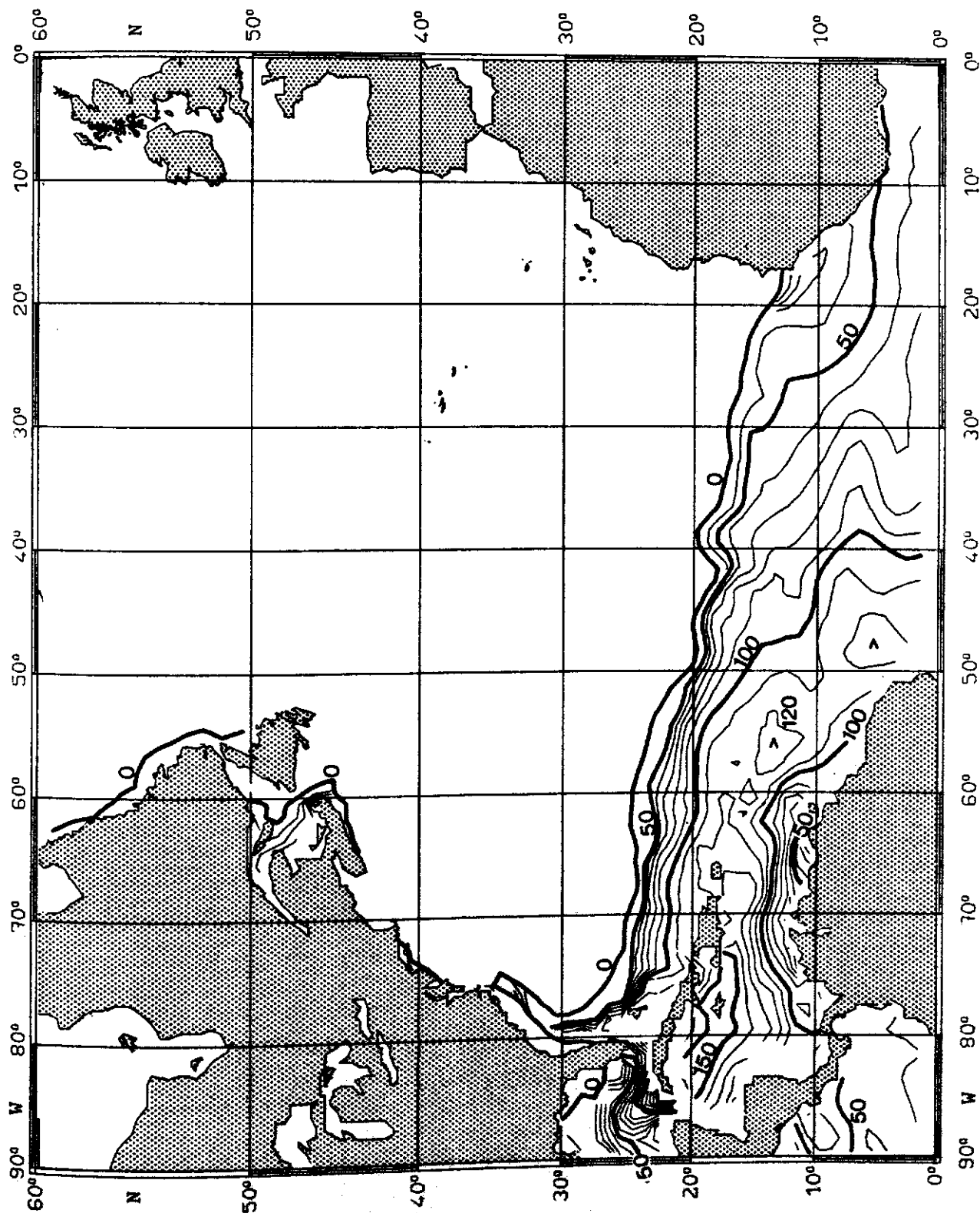


Fig. 26:

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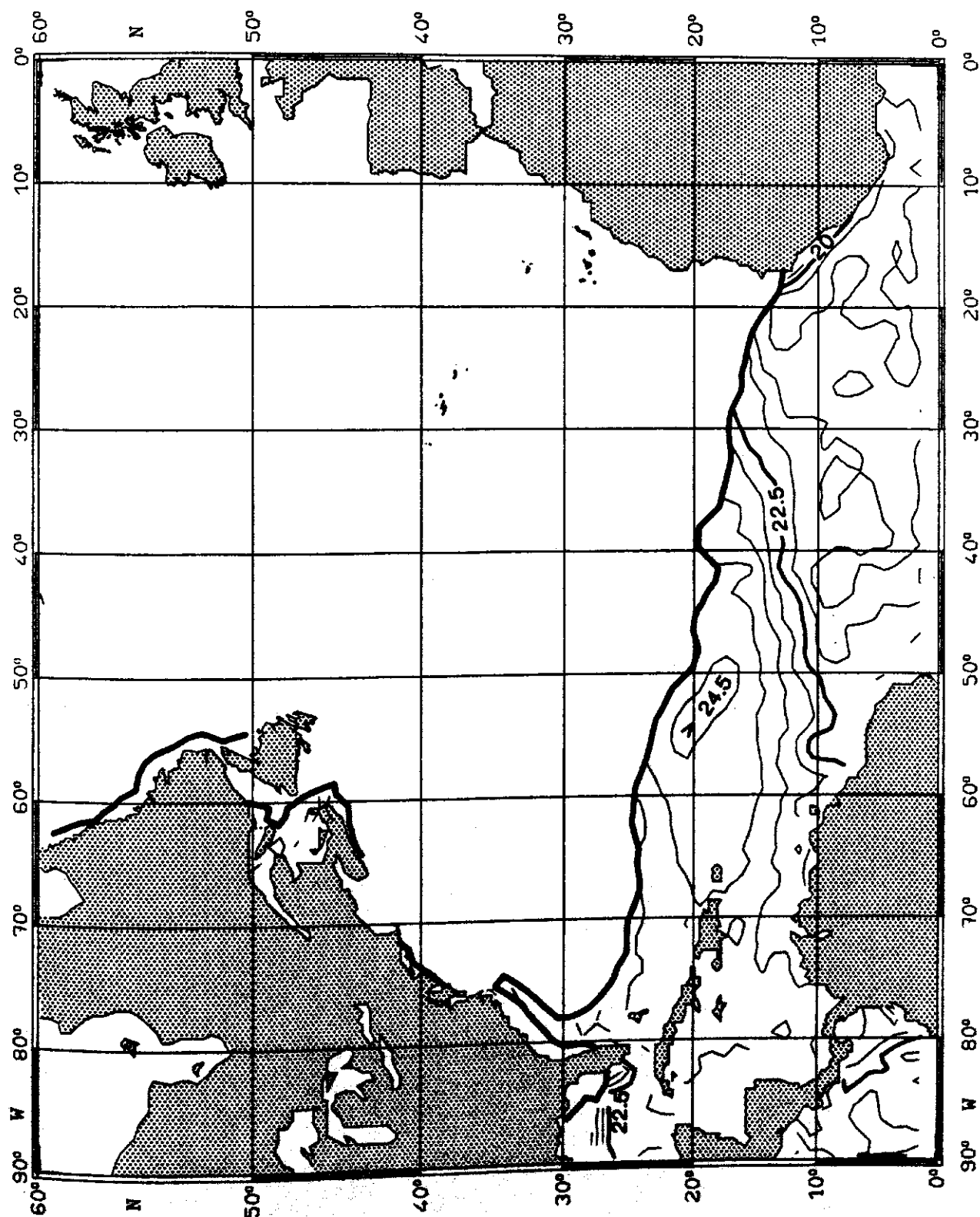


Fig. 27:

SALINITY ( $10^{-3}$ ) on  $\sigma_{\theta} = 25.0 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$

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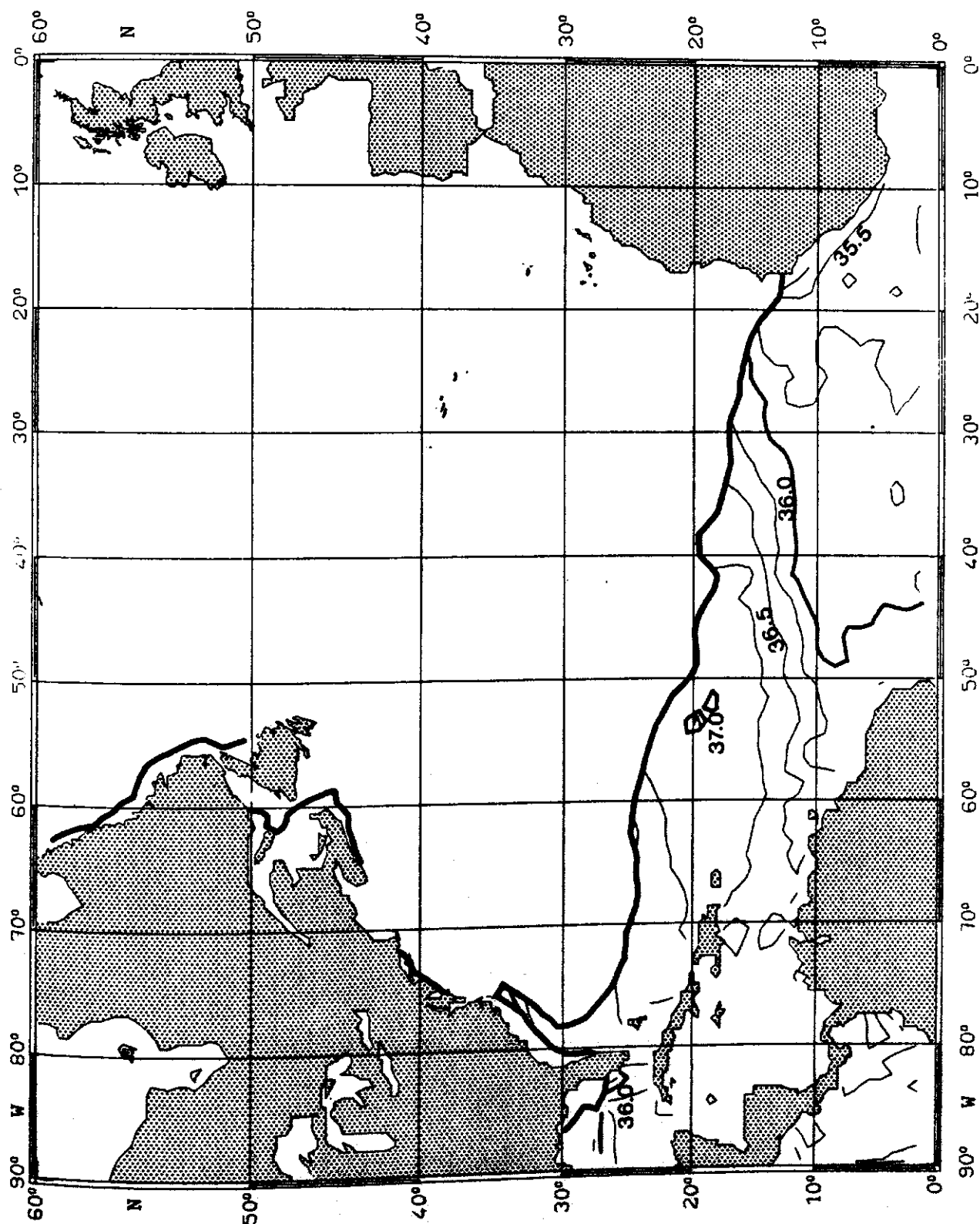


Fig. 28:

PRESSURE ( $10^4$  Pa) on  $\sigma_\theta = 26.0 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$

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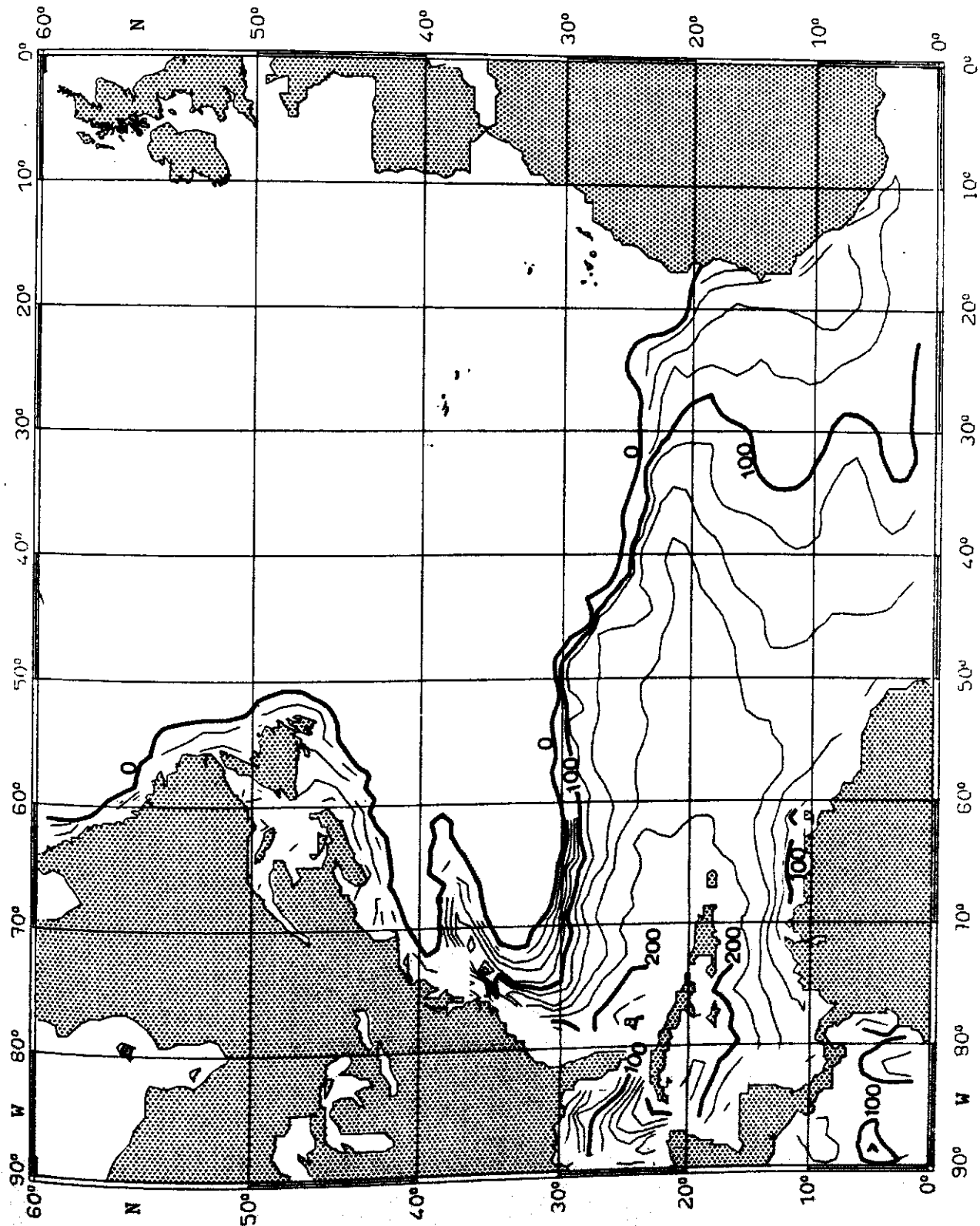


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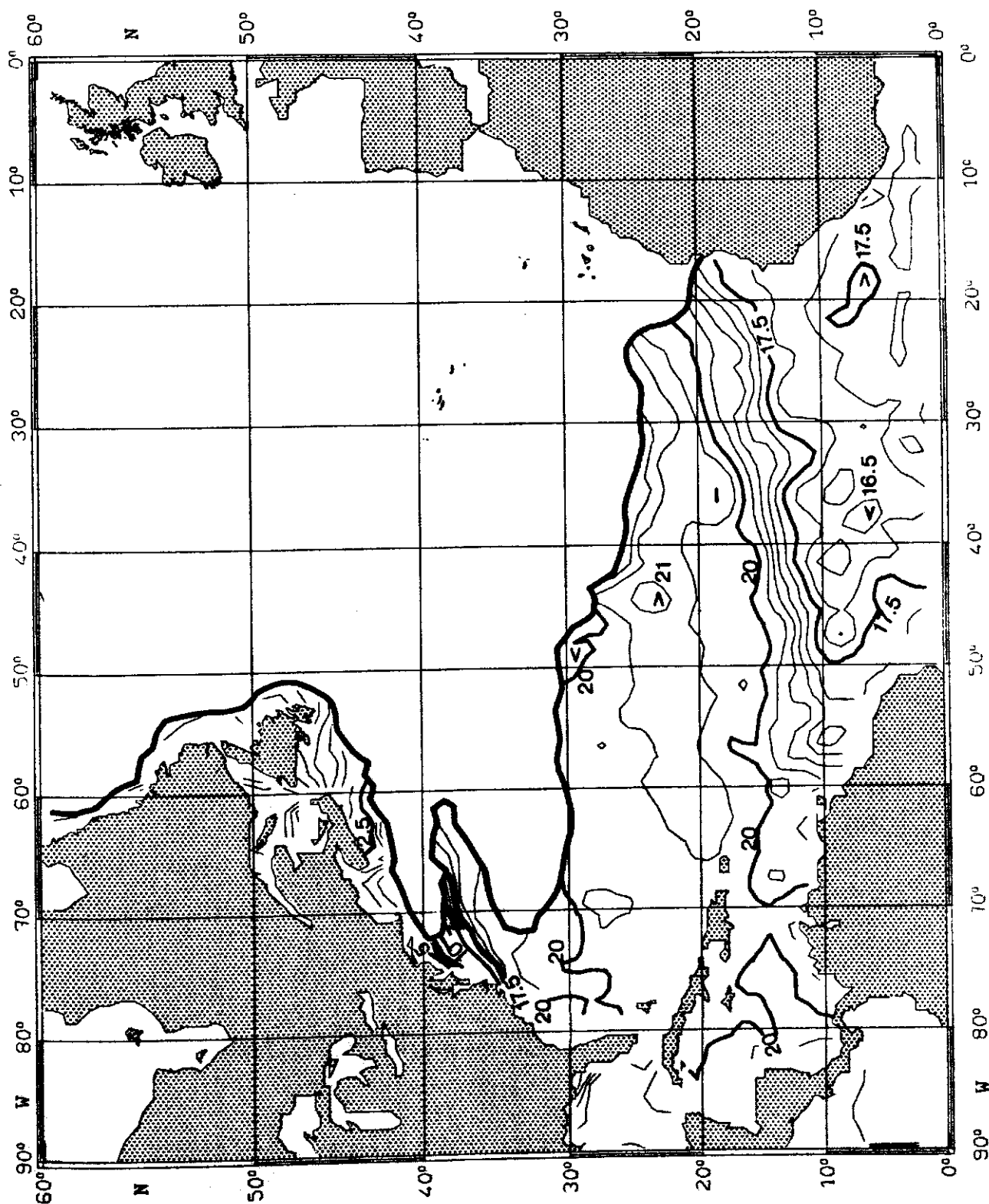




Fig. 30:

SALINITY ( $10^{-3}$ ) on  $\sigma_{\theta} = 26.0 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$

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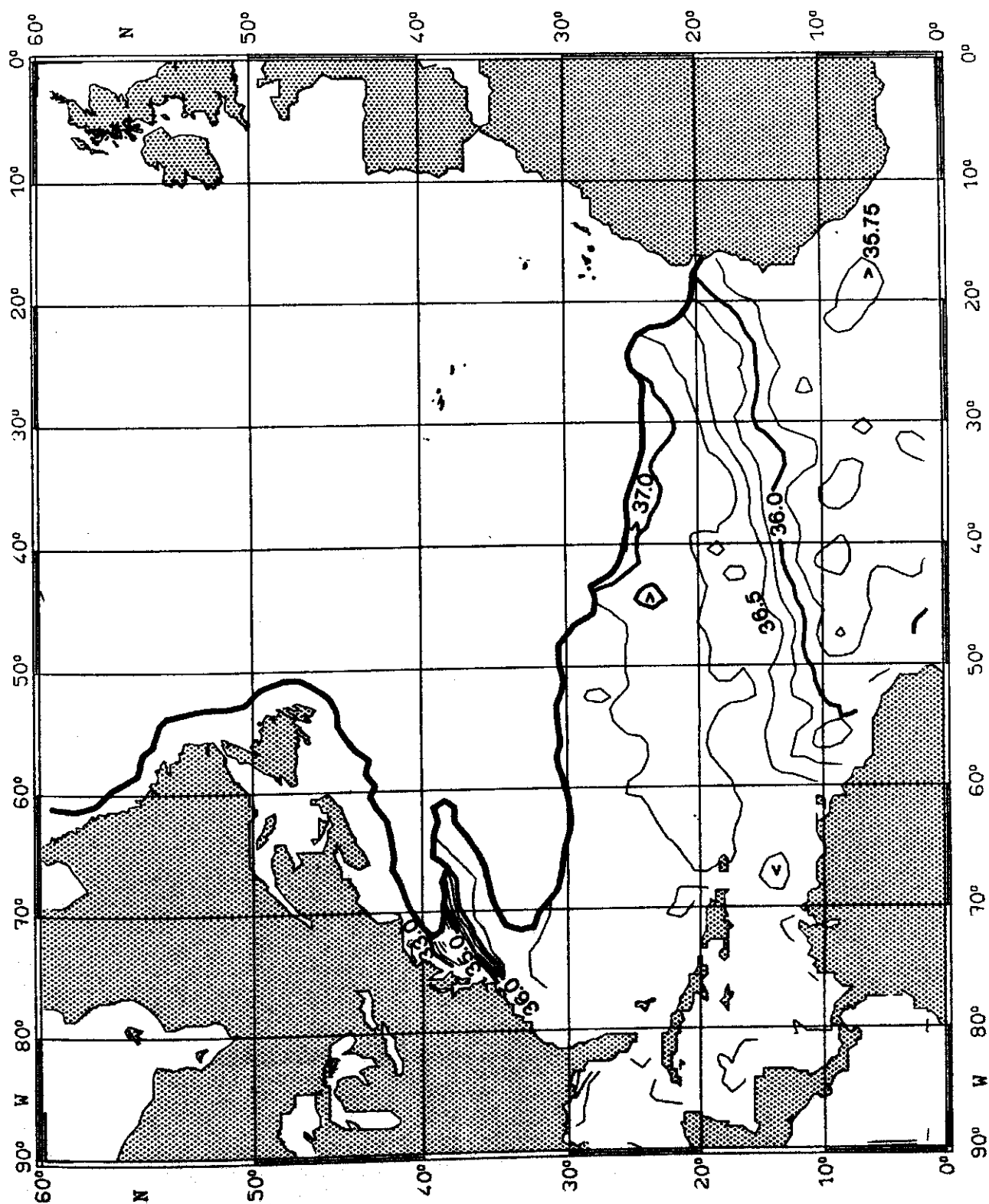


Fig. 31:

PRESSURE ( $10^4$  Pa) on  $\sigma_\theta = 27.0 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$

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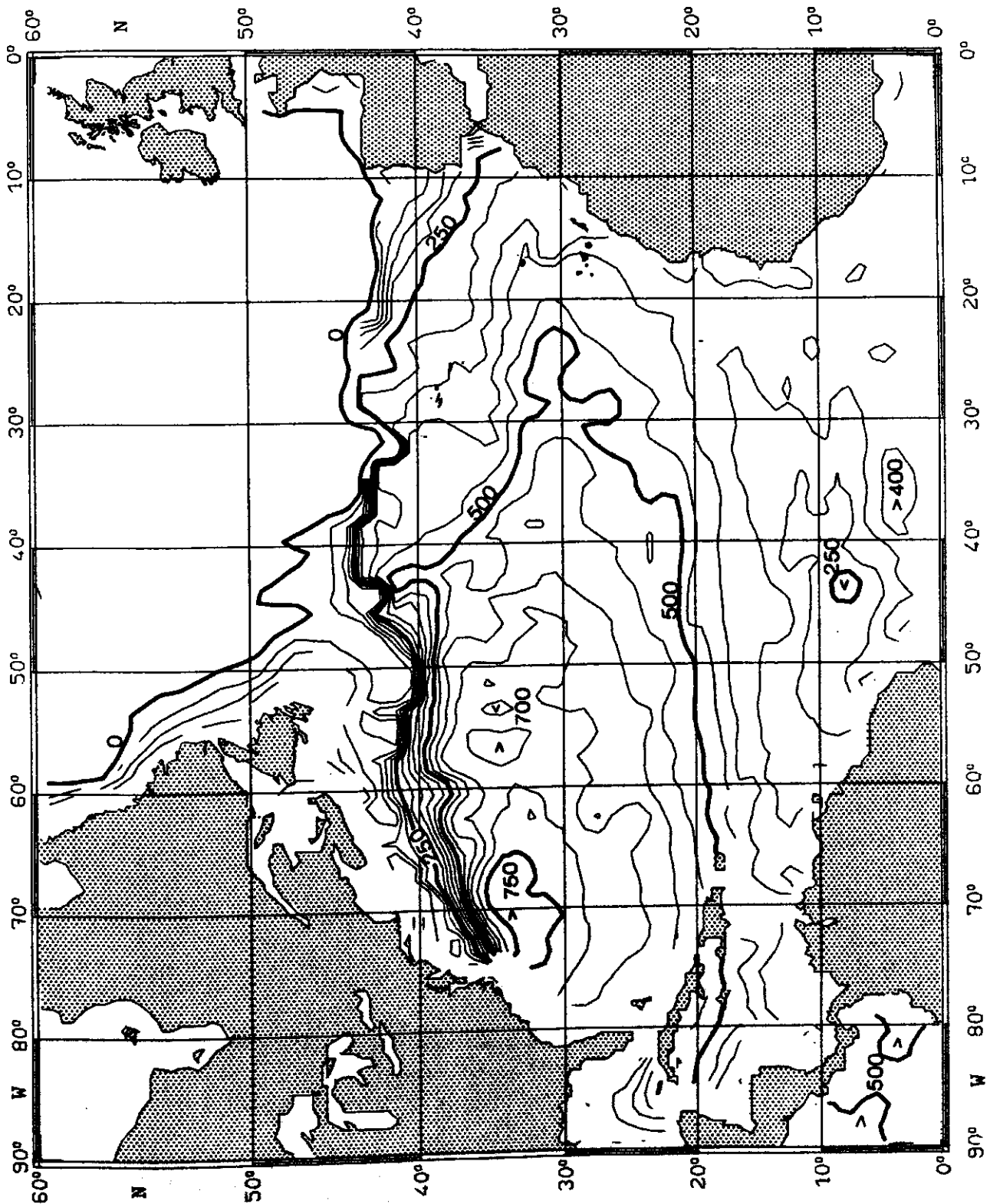


Fig. 32:

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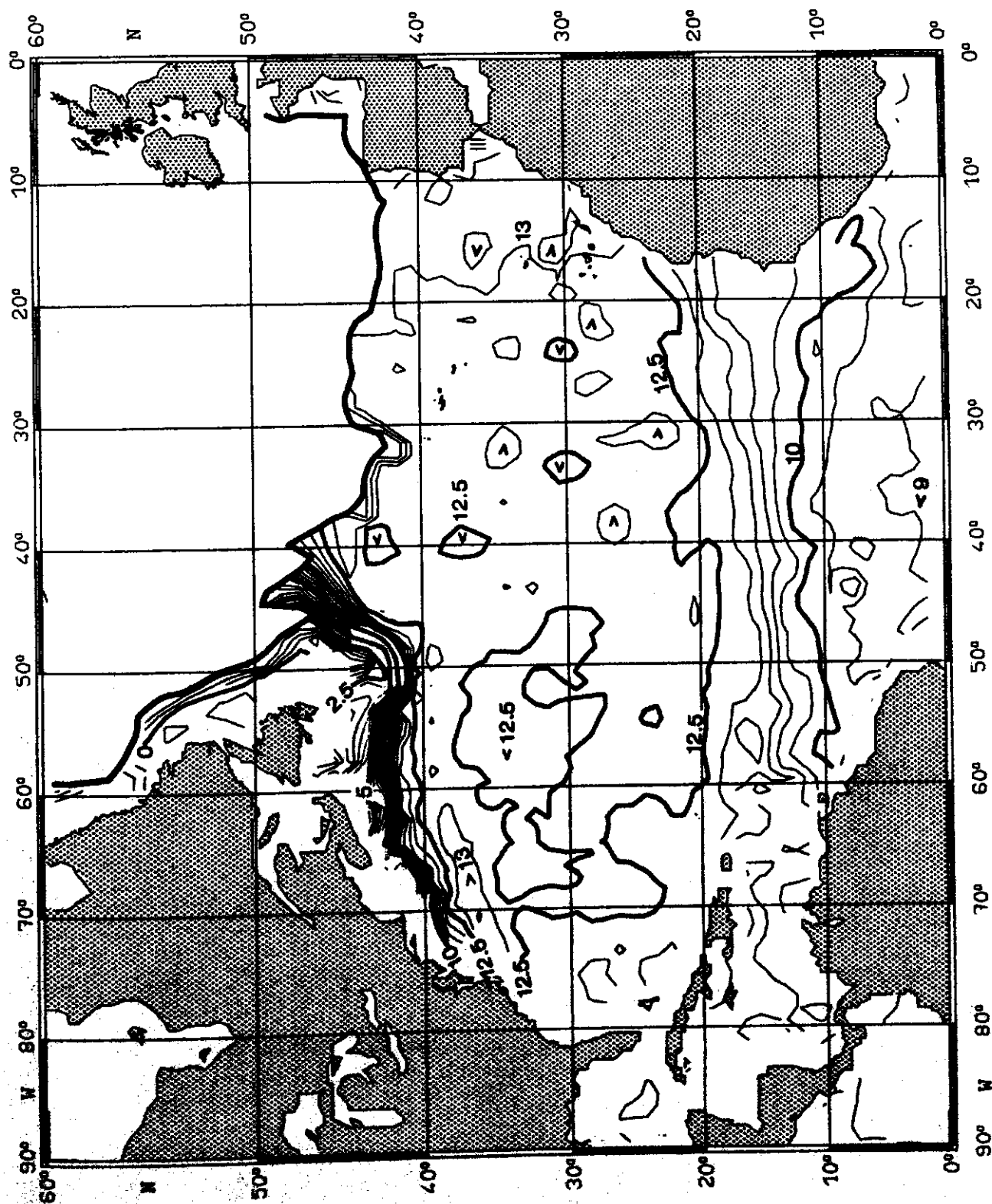


Fig. 33:

SALINITY ( $10^{-3}$ ) on  $\sigma_\theta = 27.0 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$  MARCH

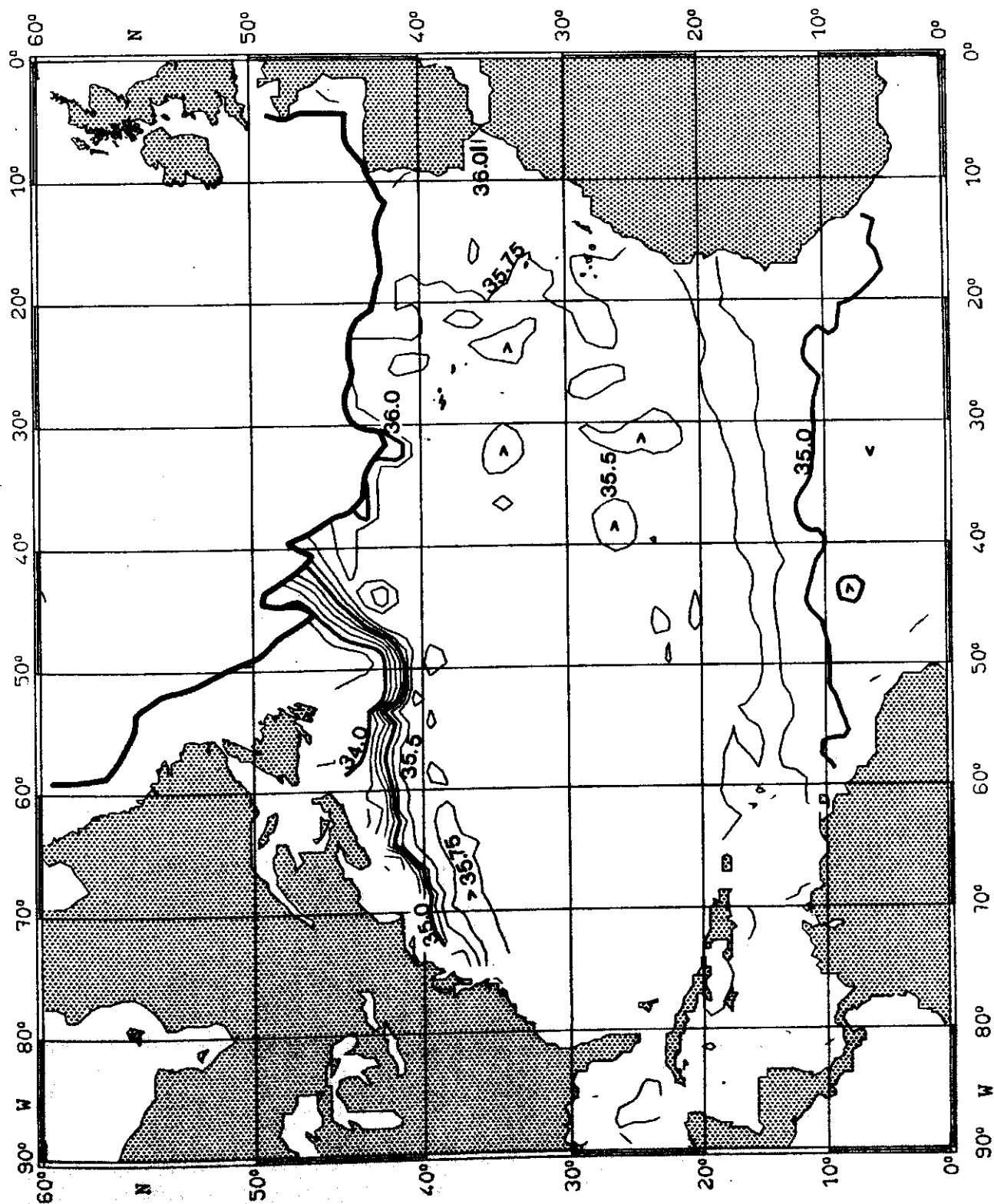


Fig. 34:

PRESSURE ( $10^4$  Pa) on  $\sigma_\theta = 27.5 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$

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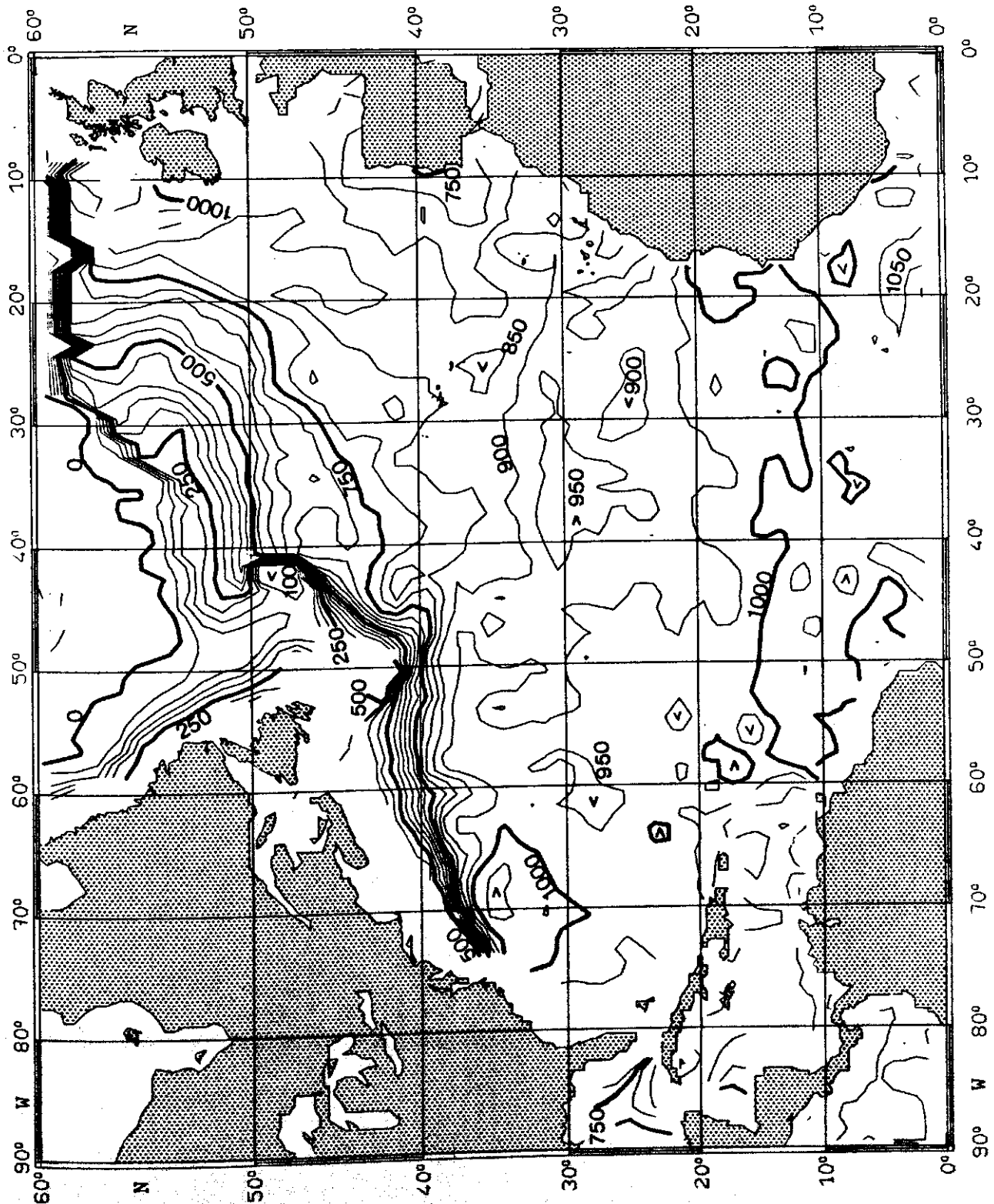


Fig. 35:

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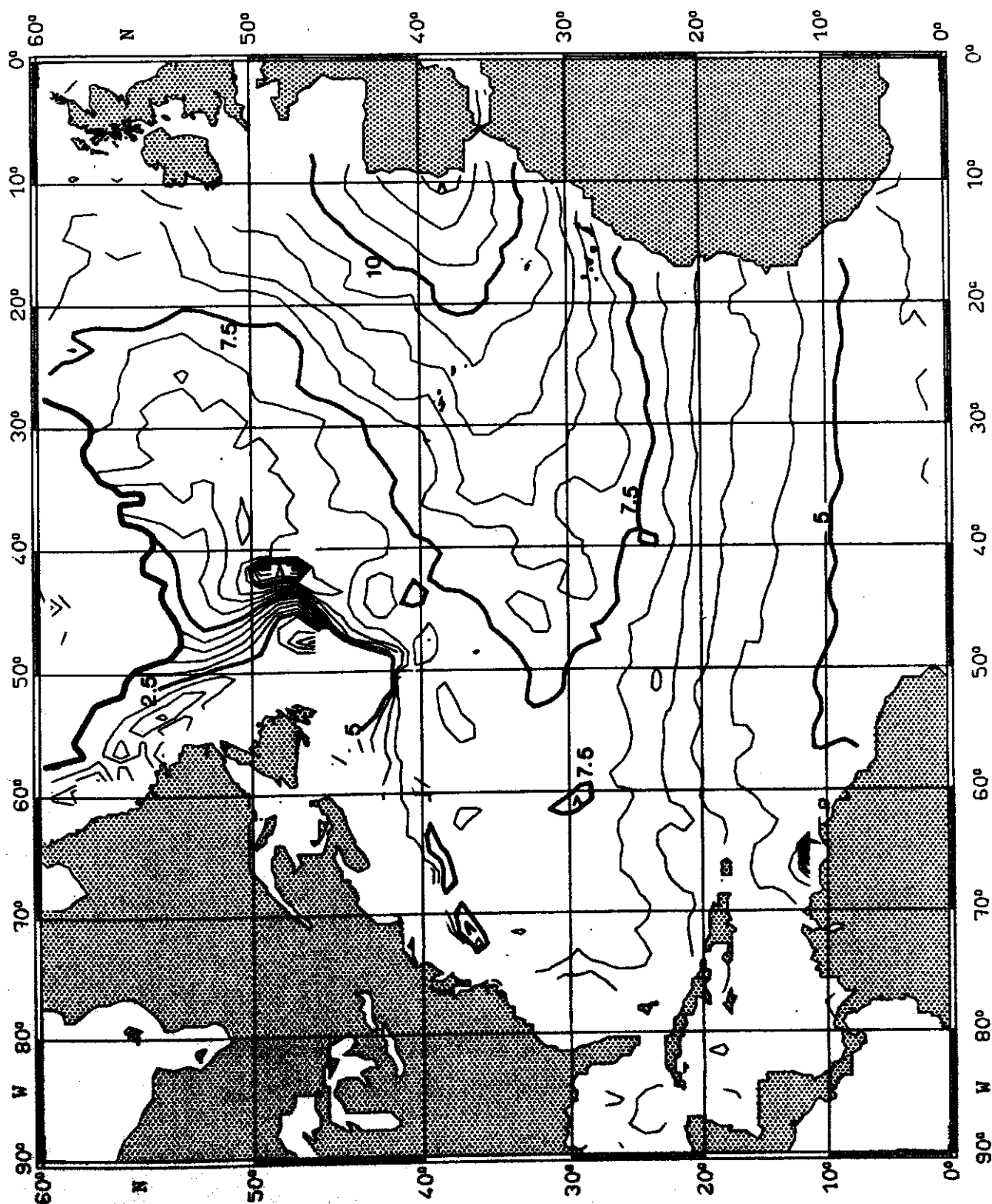


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SALINITY ( $10^{-3}$ ) on  $\sigma_\theta = 27.5 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$  MARCH

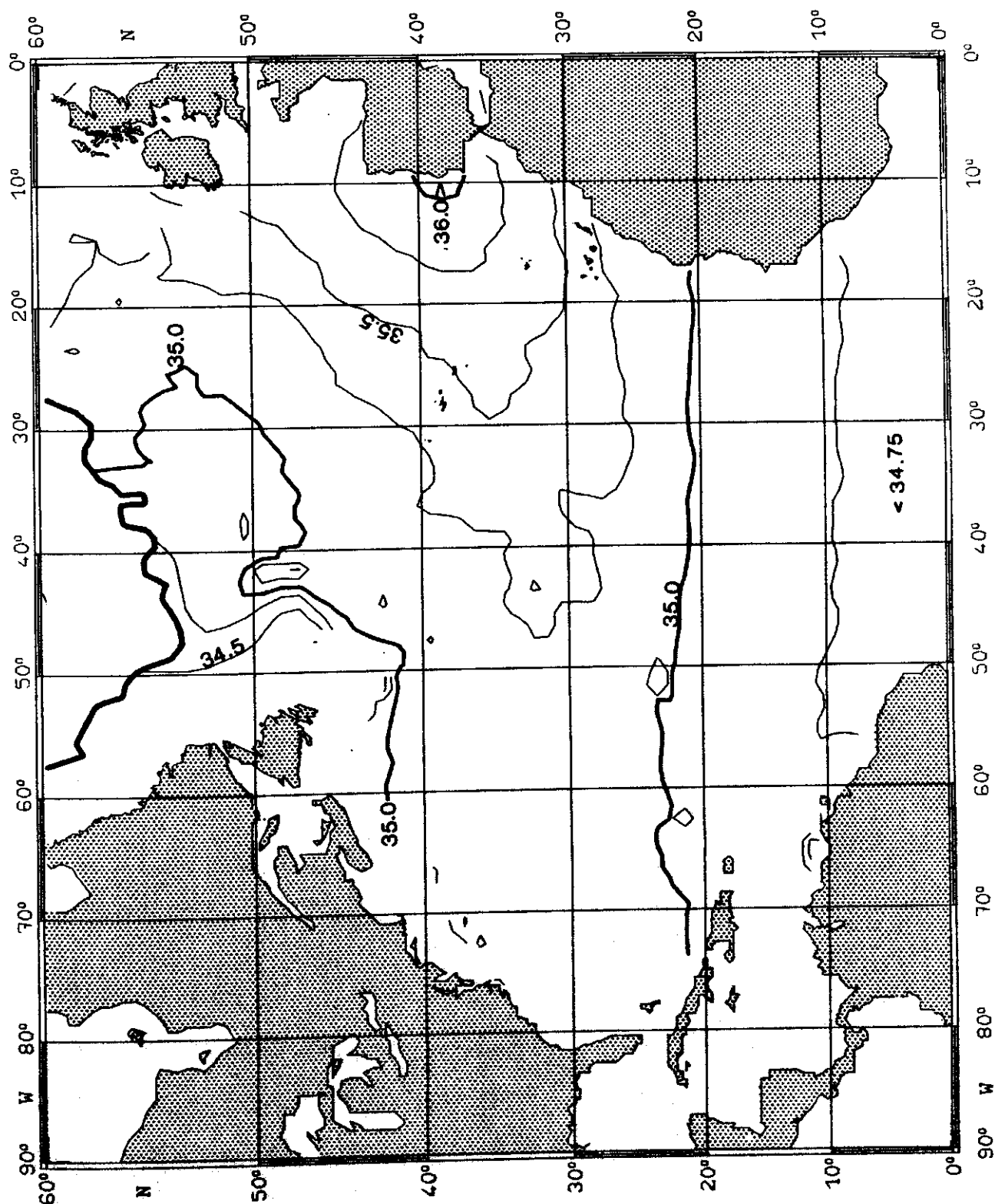


Fig. 37:

PRESSURE ( $10^4$  Pa) on  $\sigma_\theta = 25.0 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$

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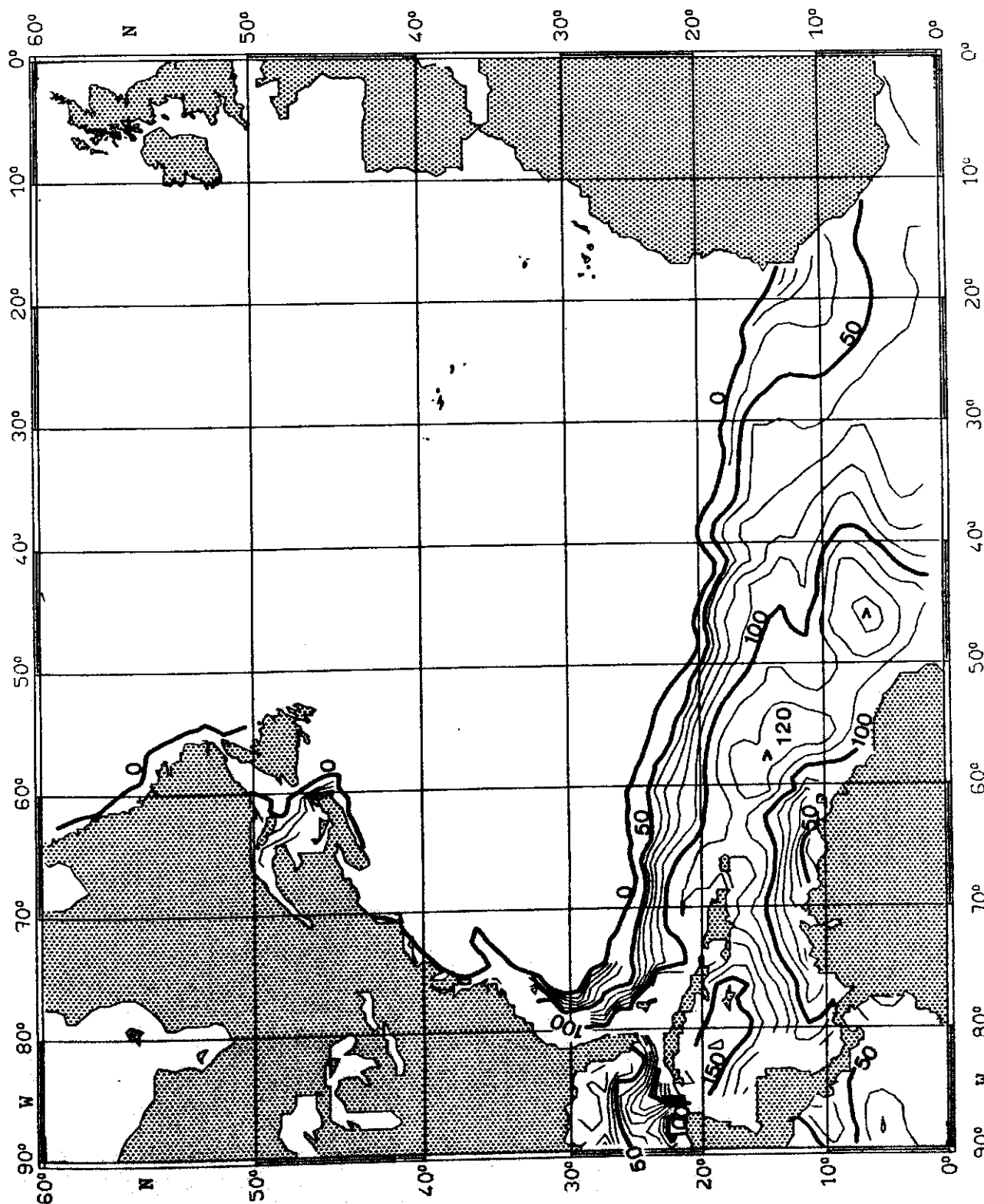




Fig. 38:

TEMPERATURE ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ) on  $\sigma_{\theta} = 25.0 \text{ kg m}$

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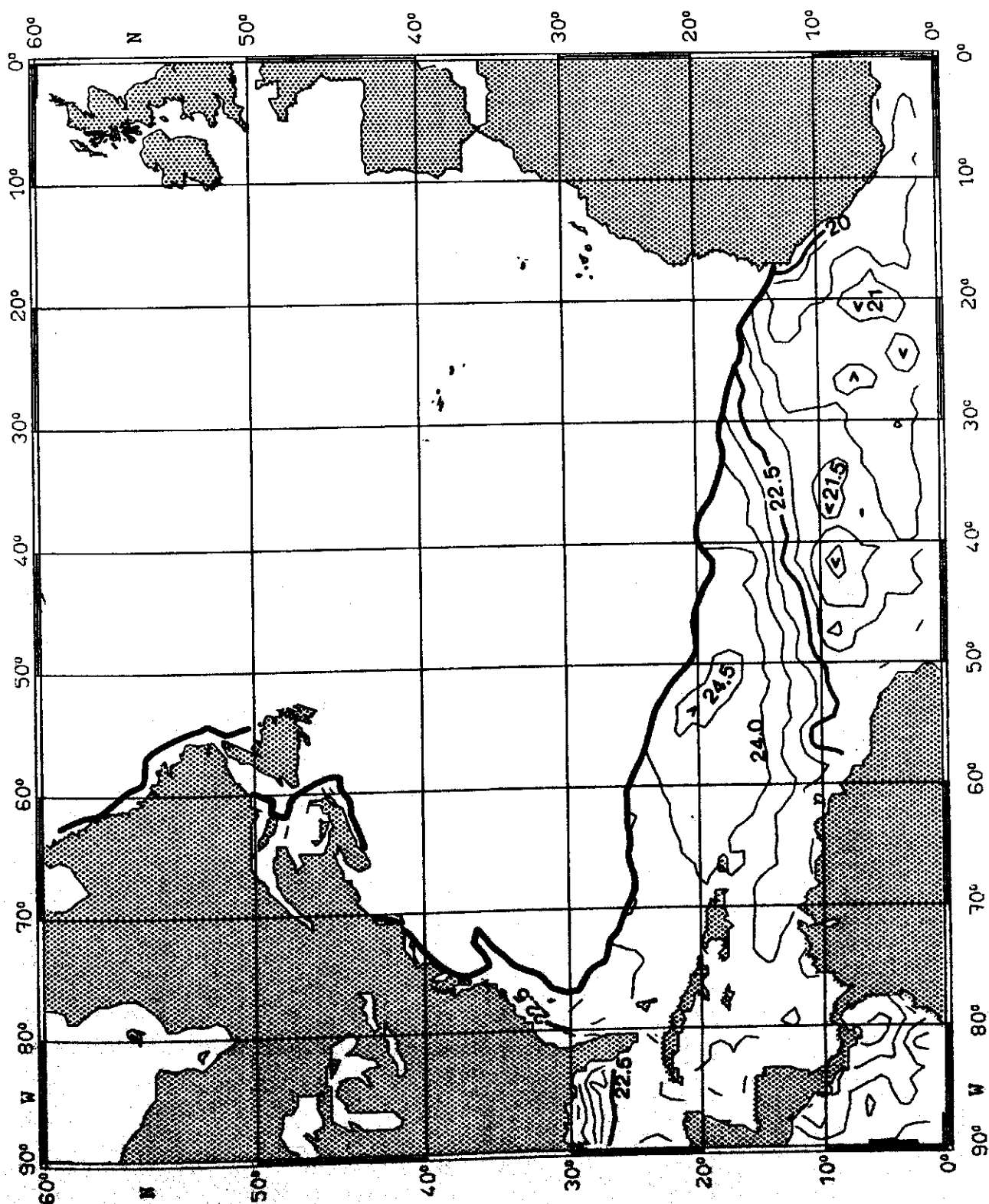


Fig. 39:

SALINITY ( $10^{-3}$ ) on  $\sigma_{\theta} = 25.0 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$

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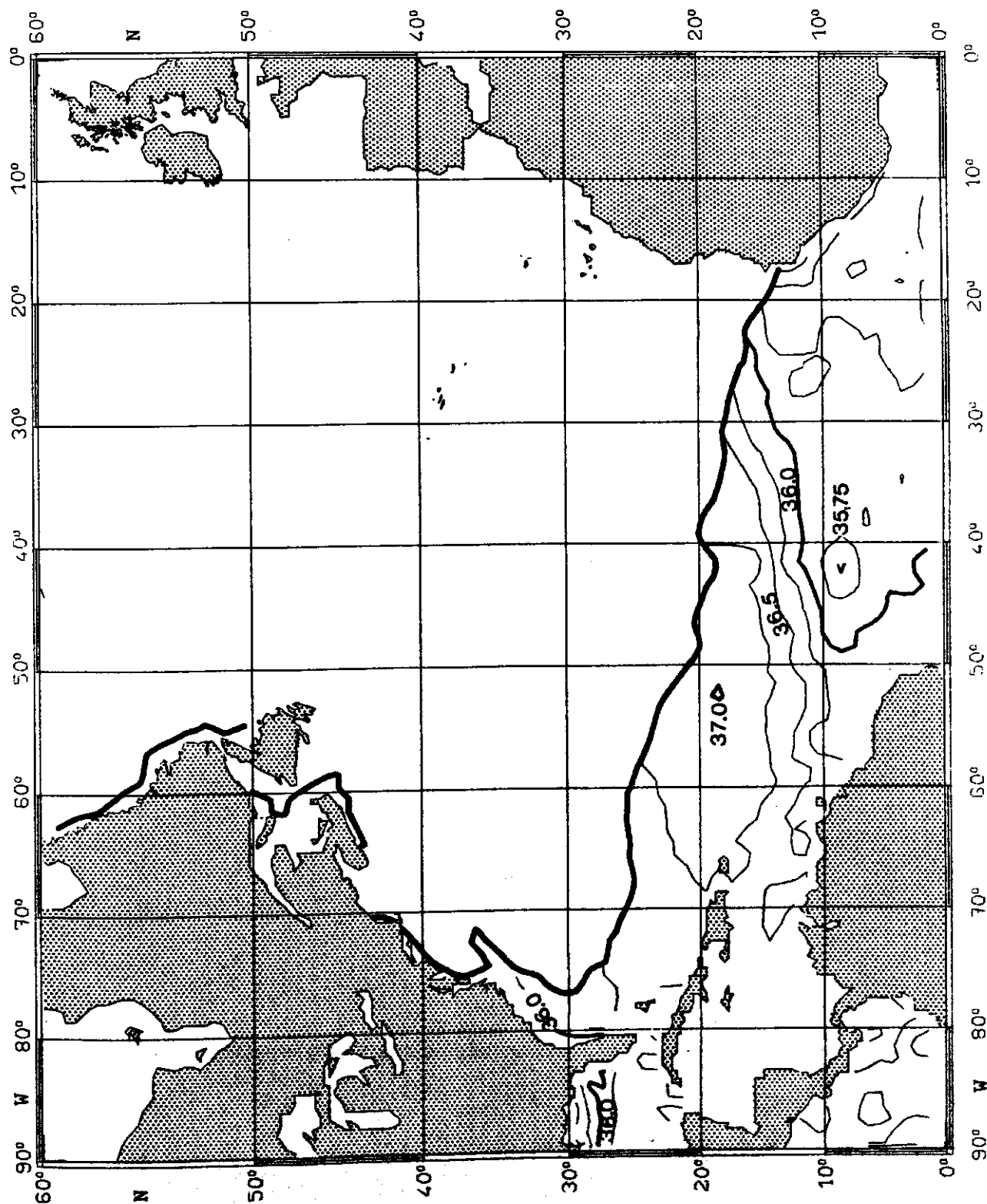


Fig. 40:

PRESSURE ( $10^4$  Pa) on  $\sigma_\theta = 26.0 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$

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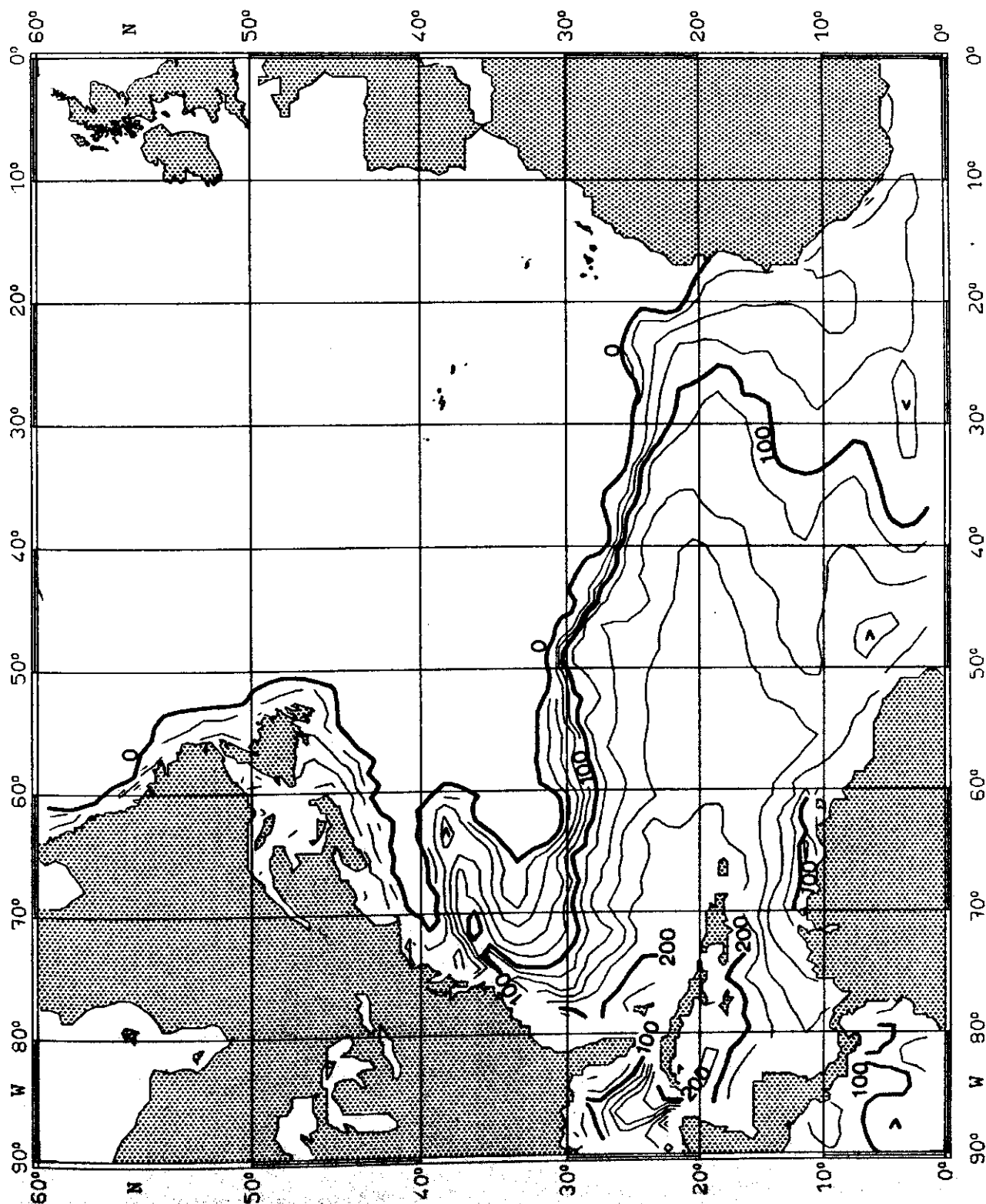


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TEMPERATURE (°C) on  $\sigma_\theta = 26.0 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$

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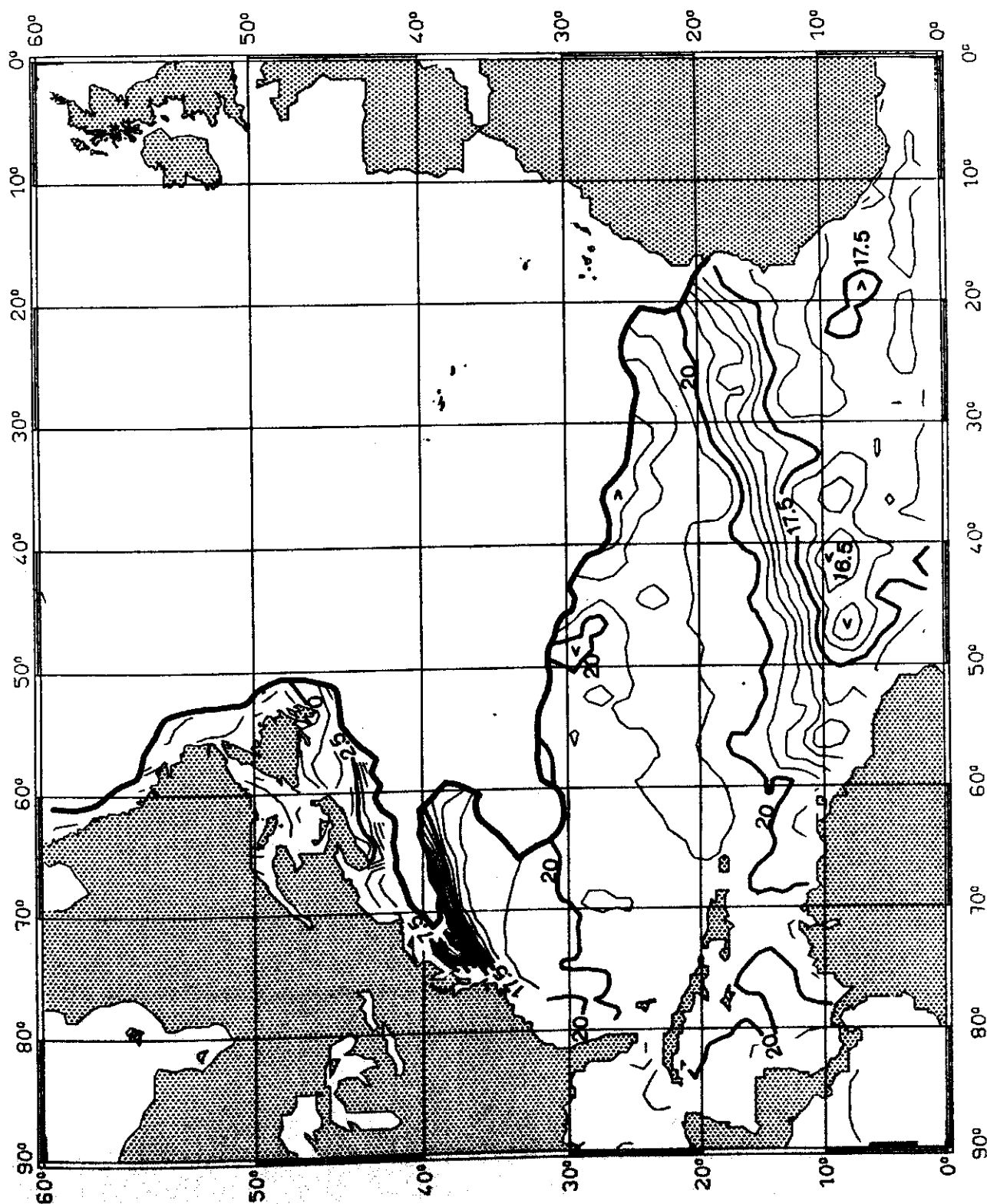


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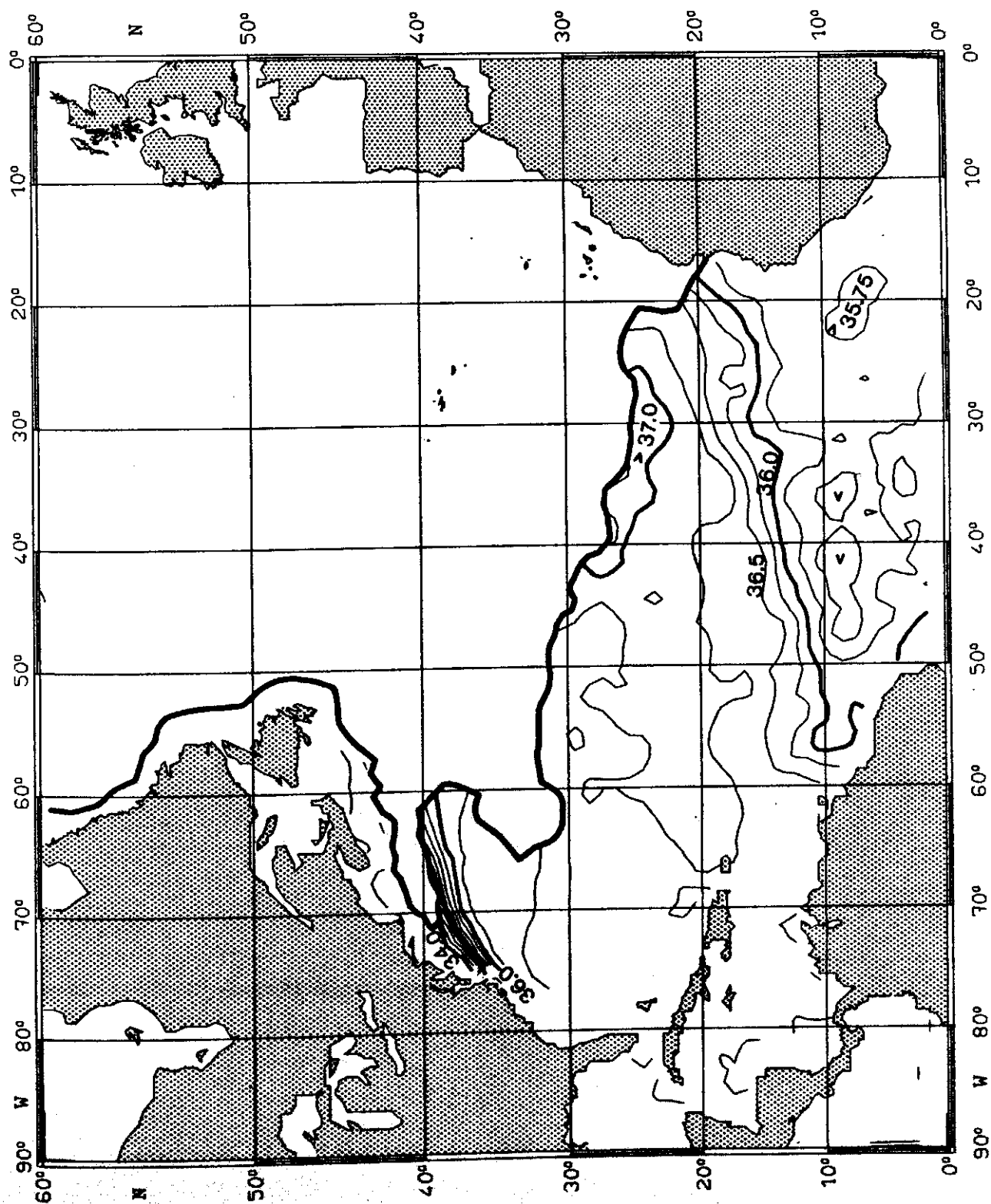


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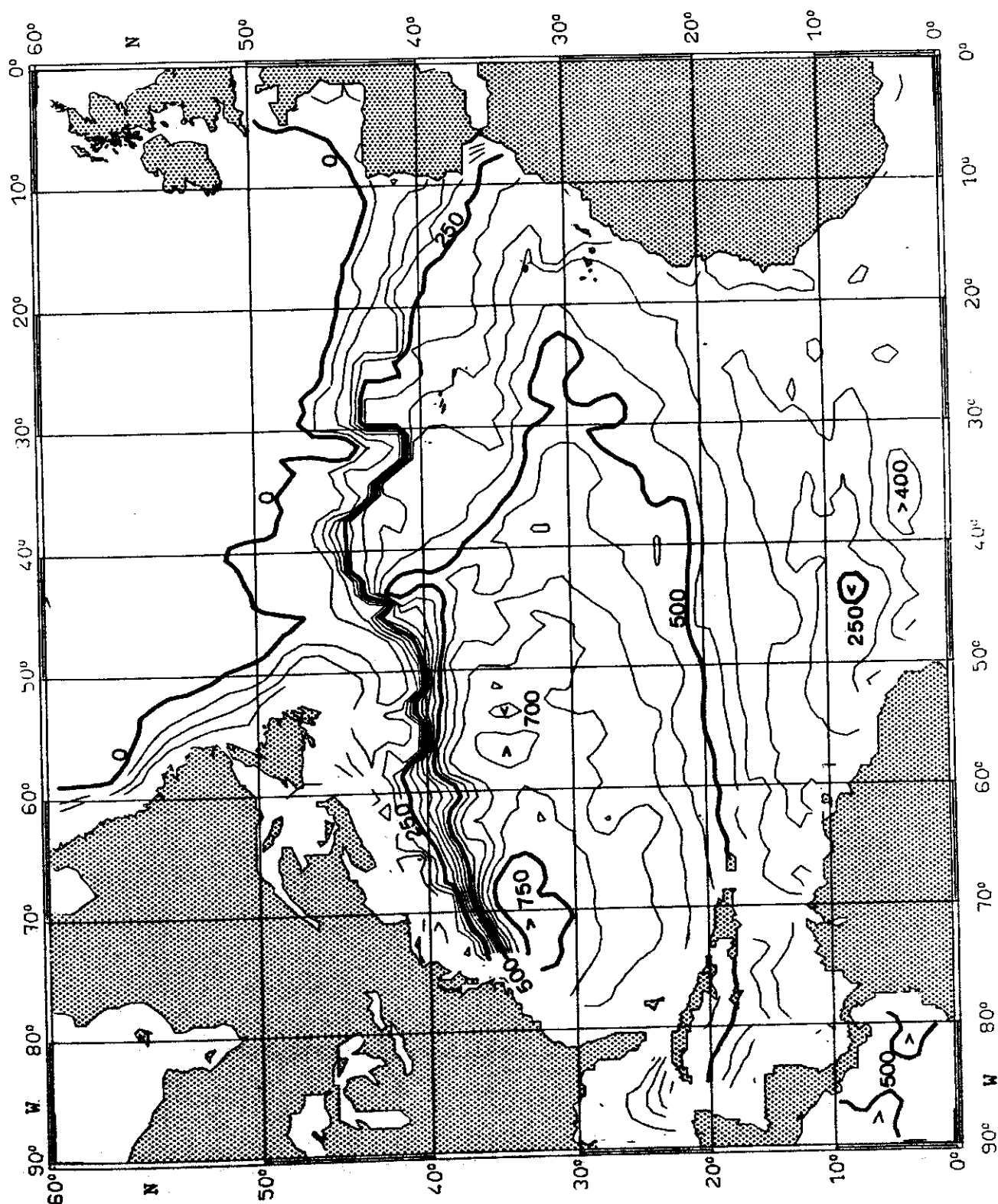


Fig. 44:

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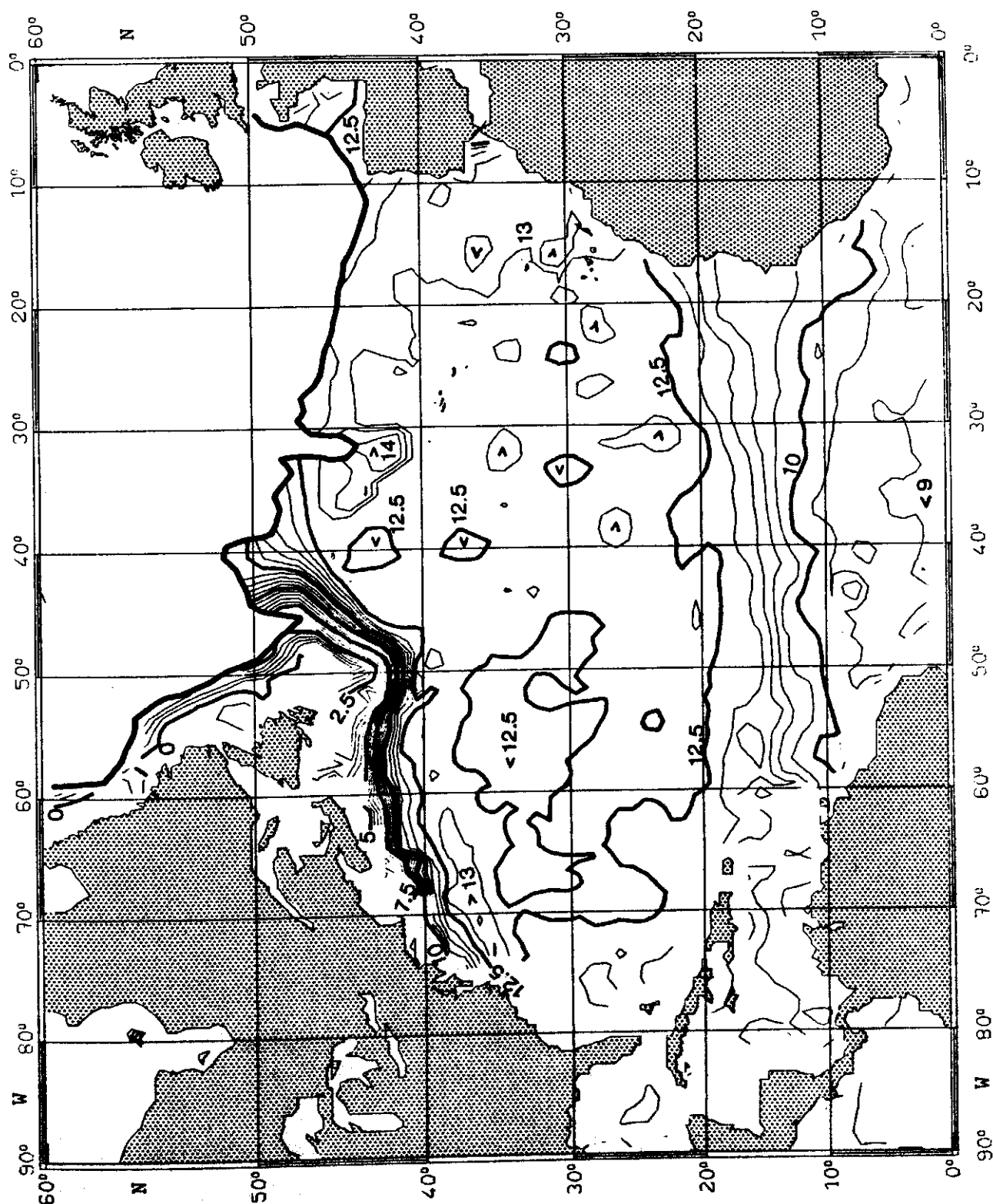


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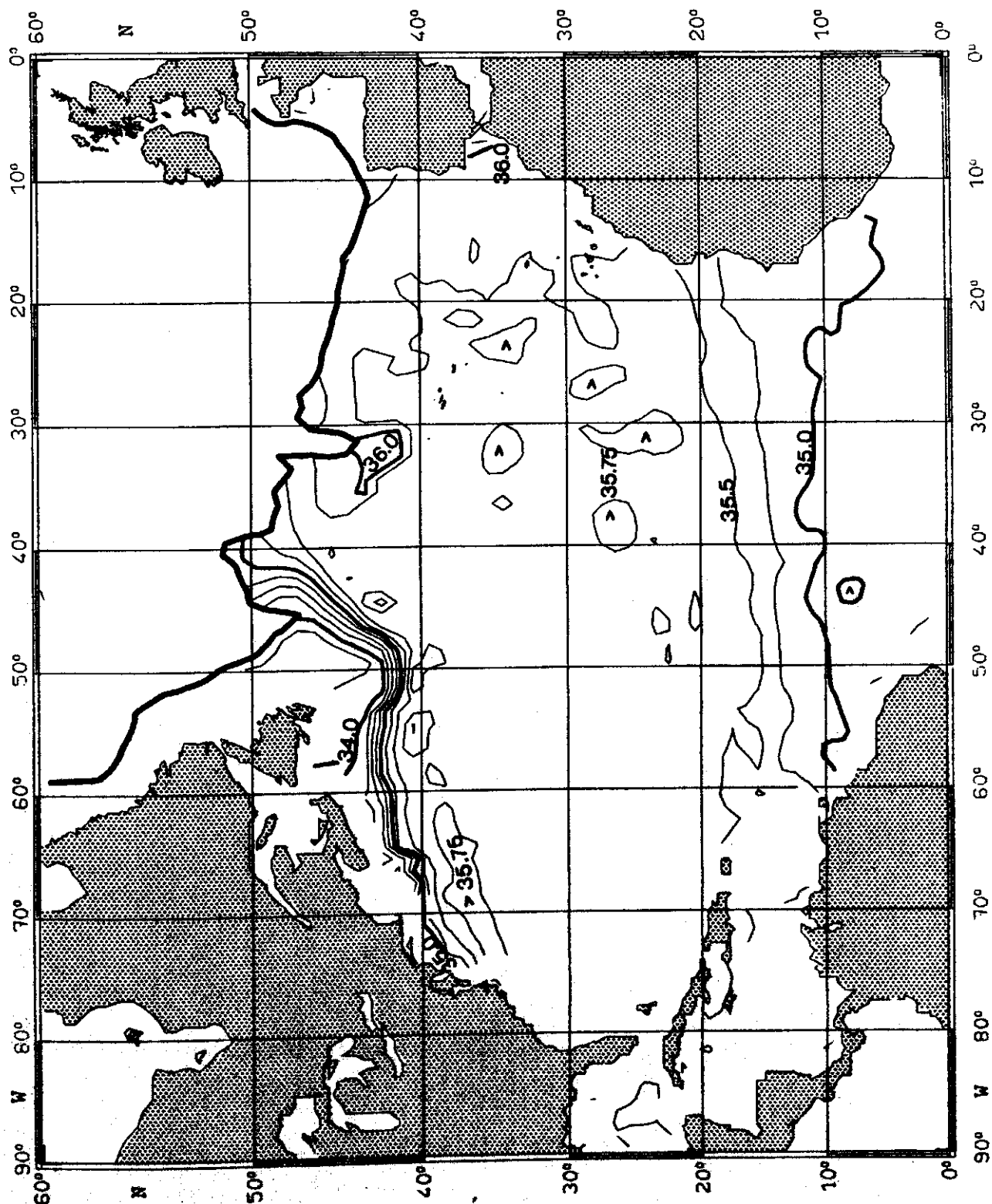




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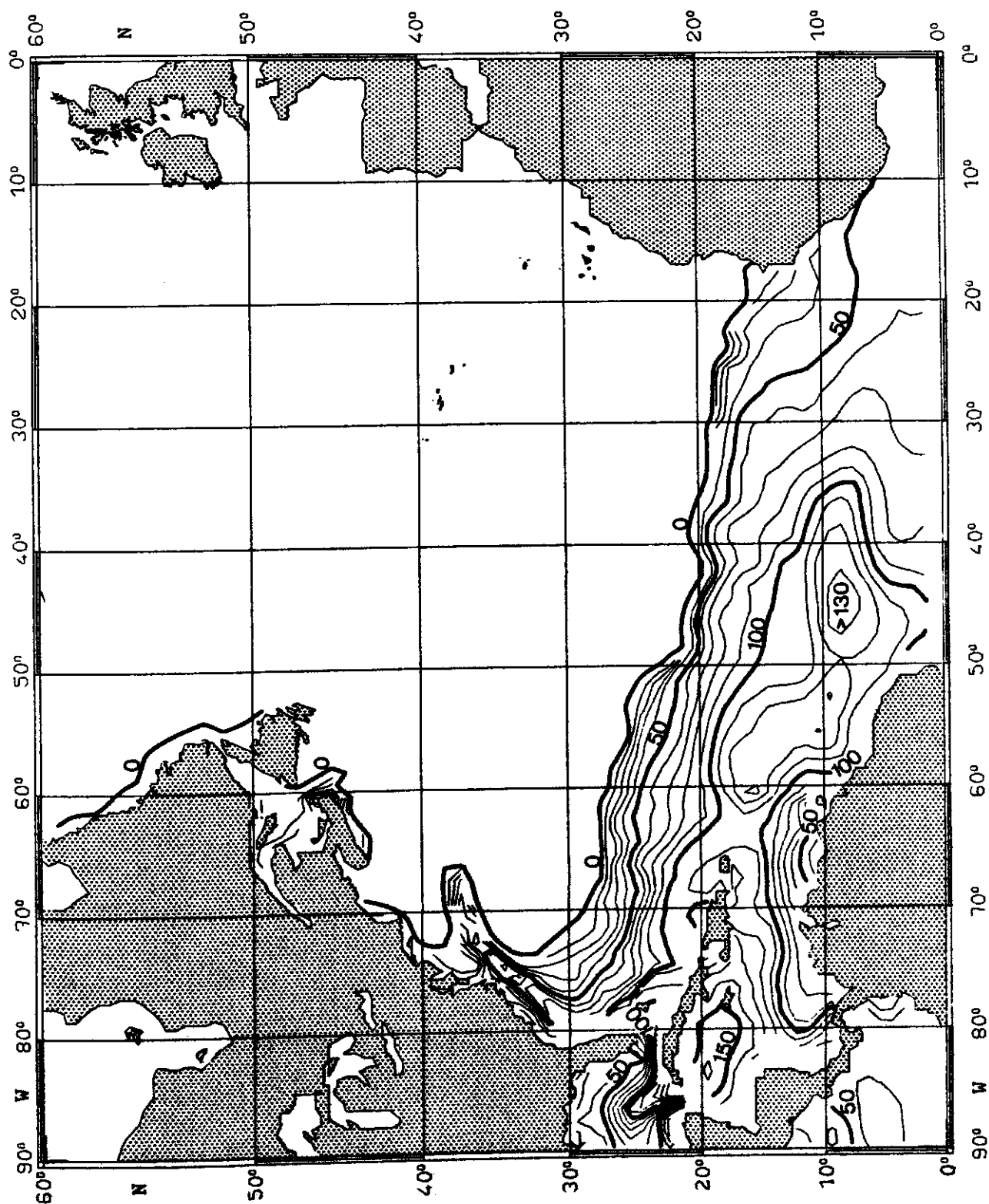


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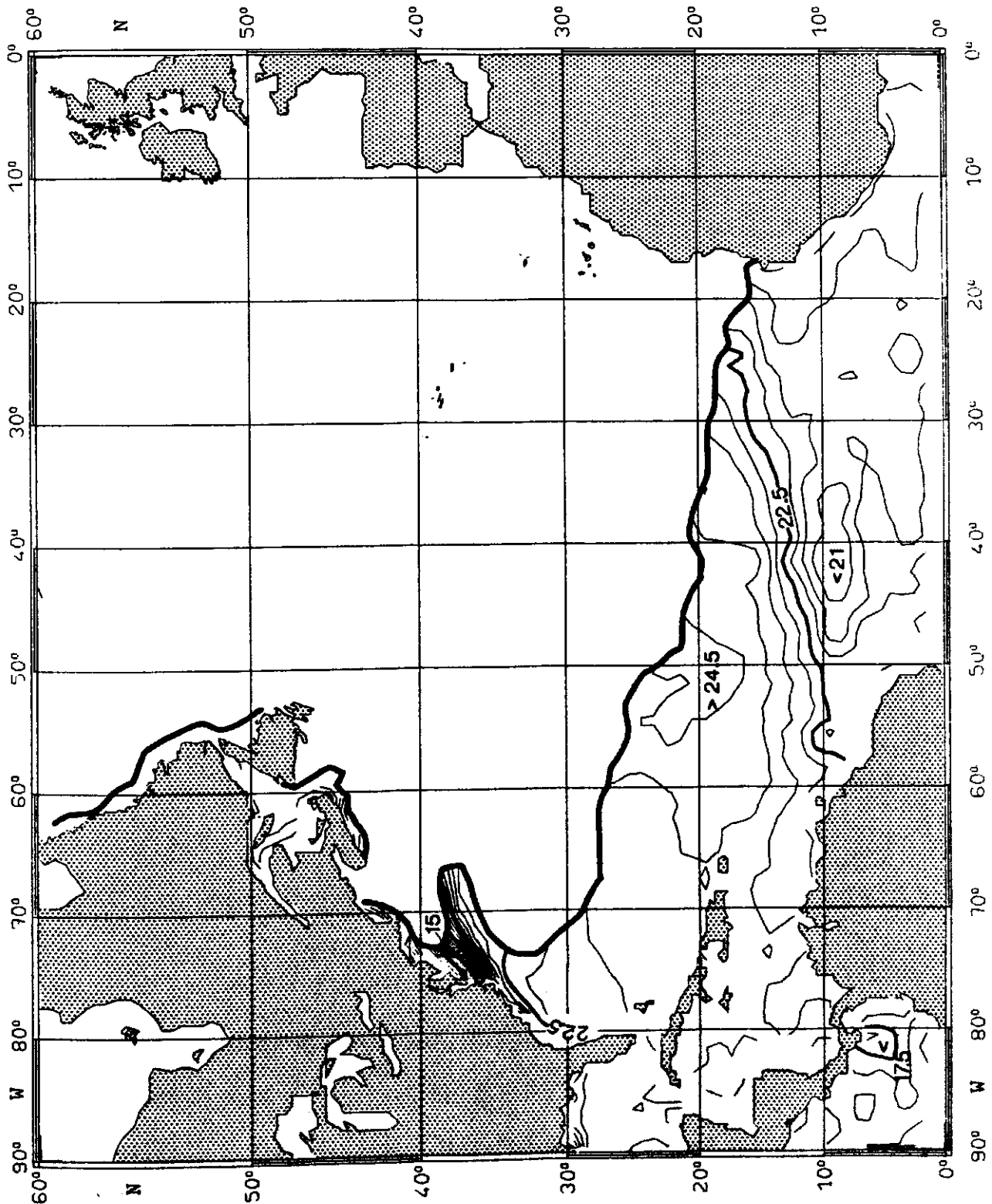


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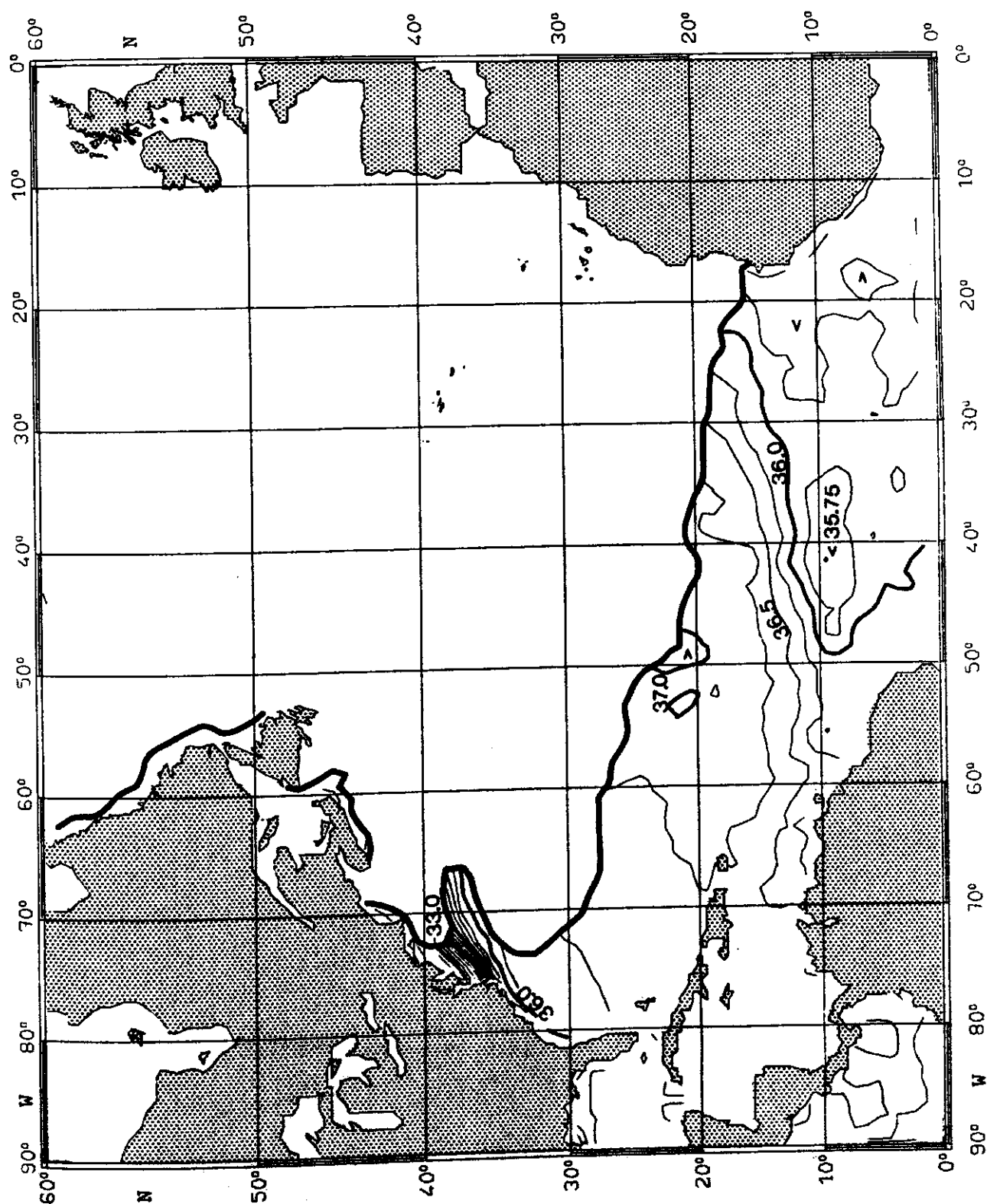


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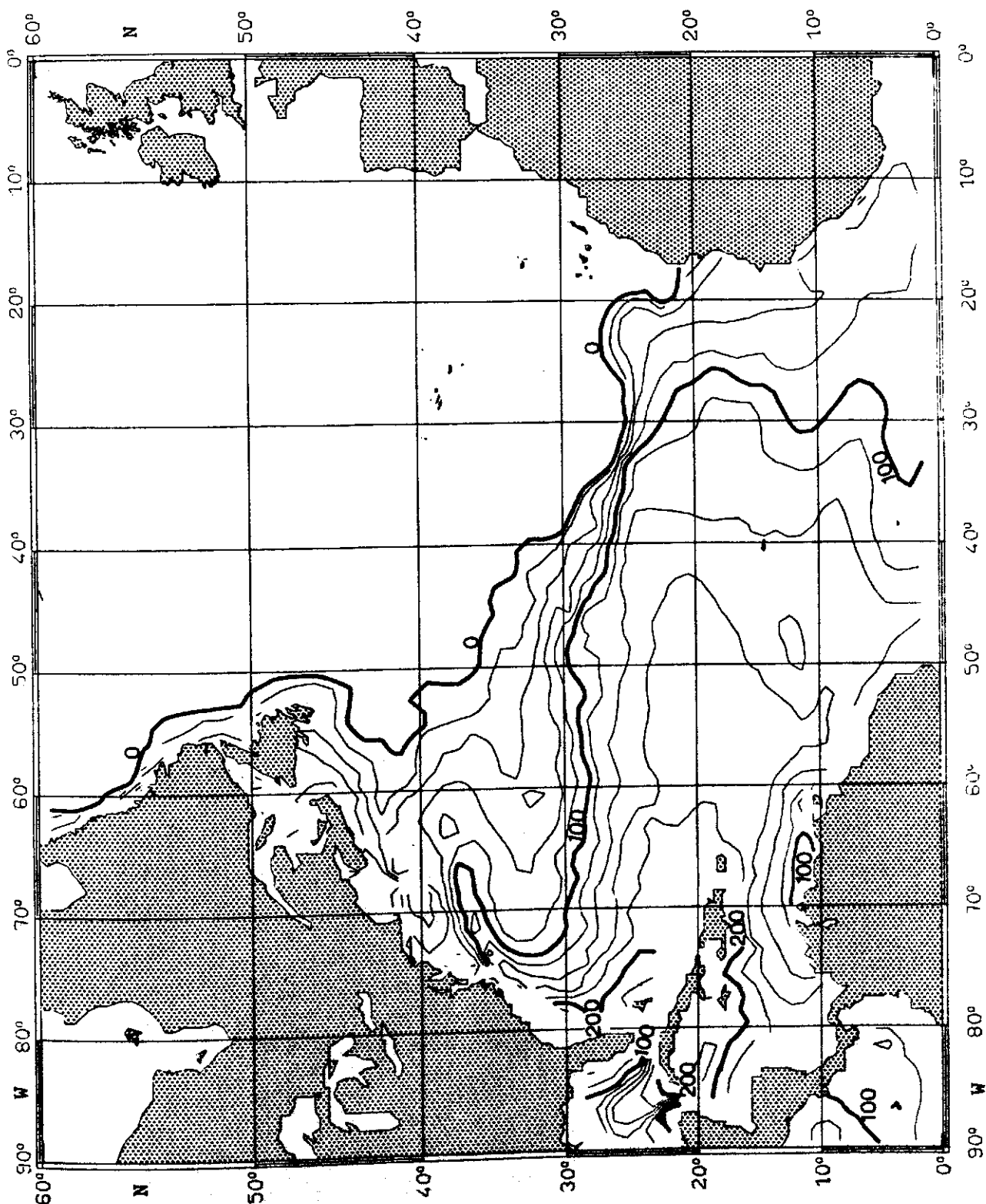


Fig. 50:

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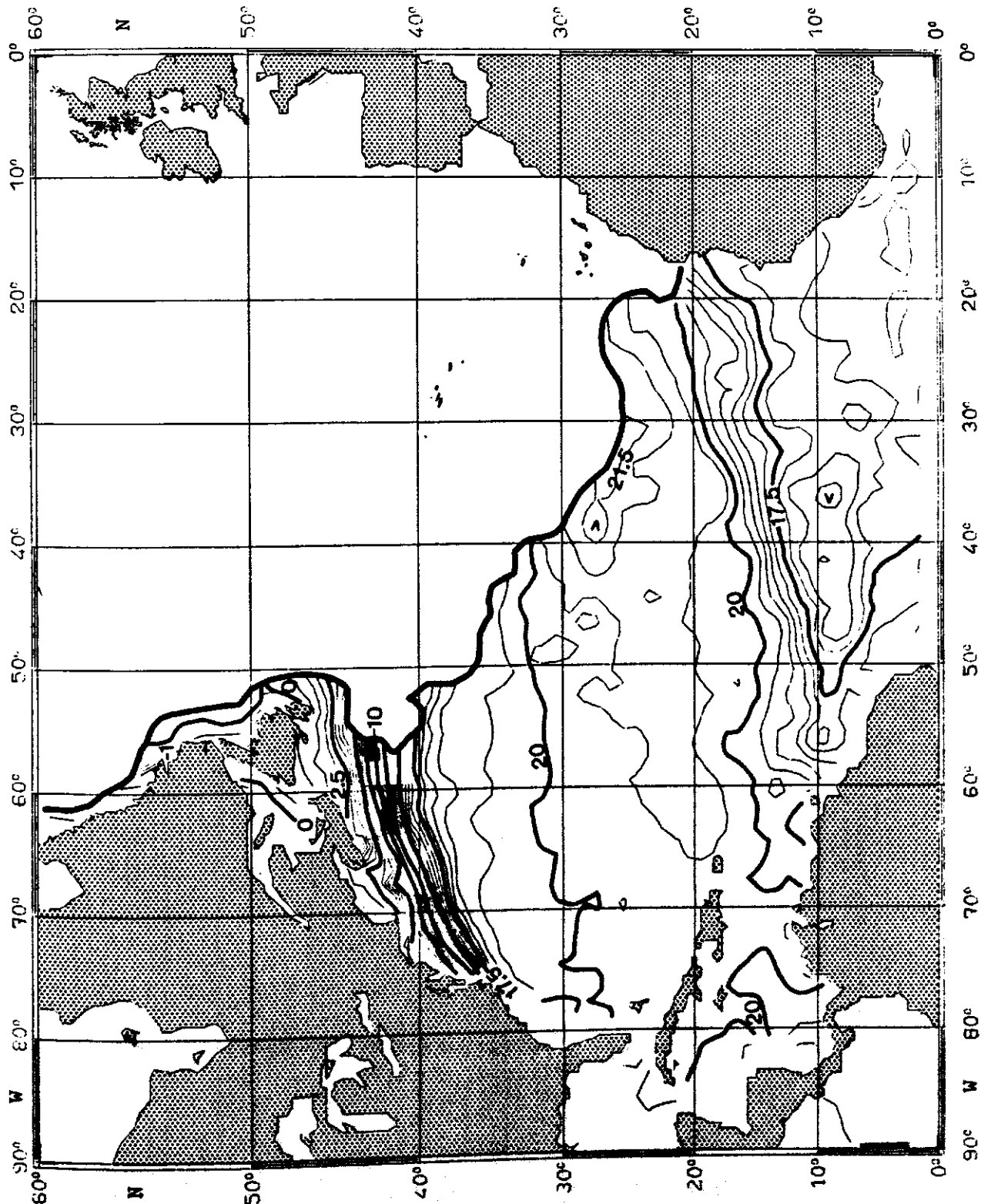


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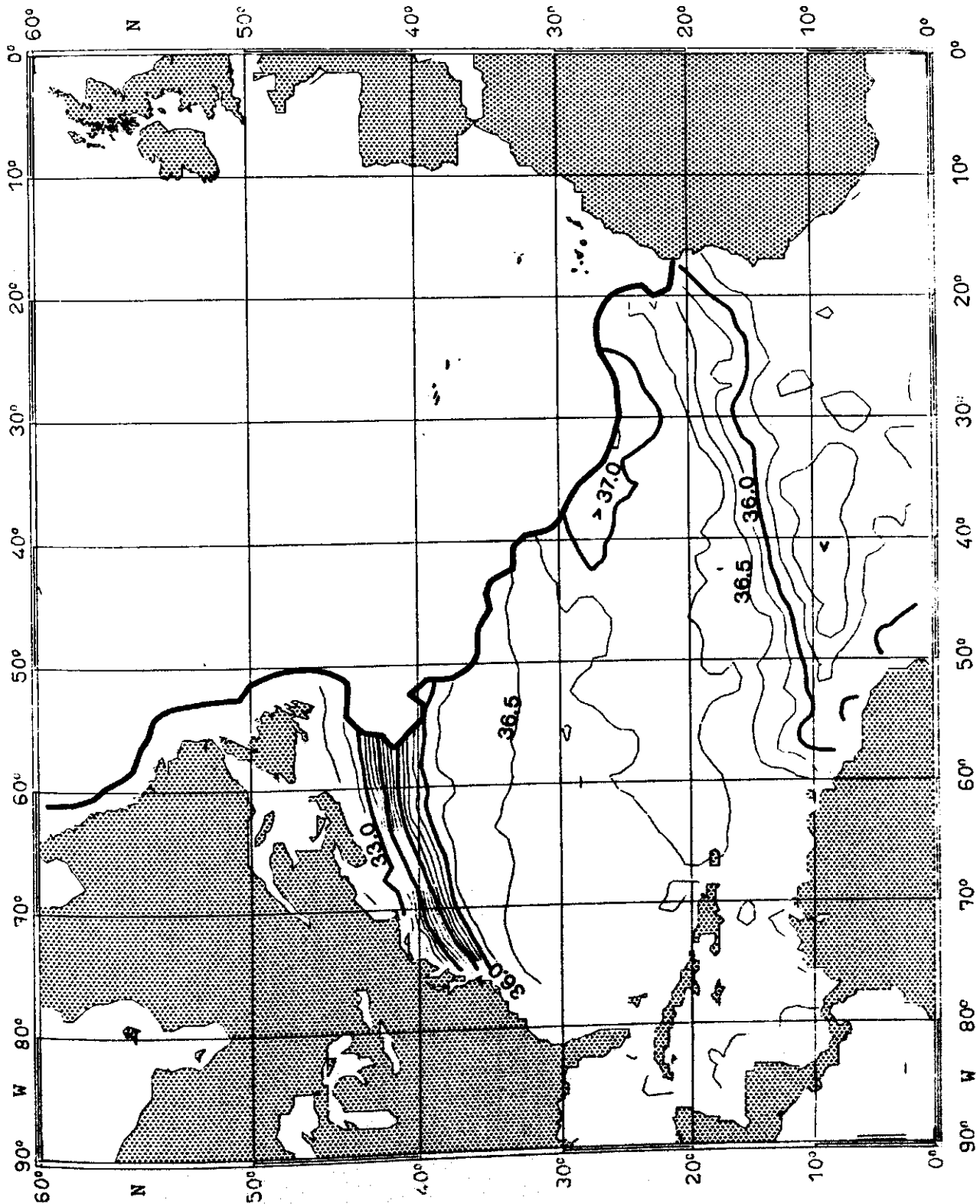
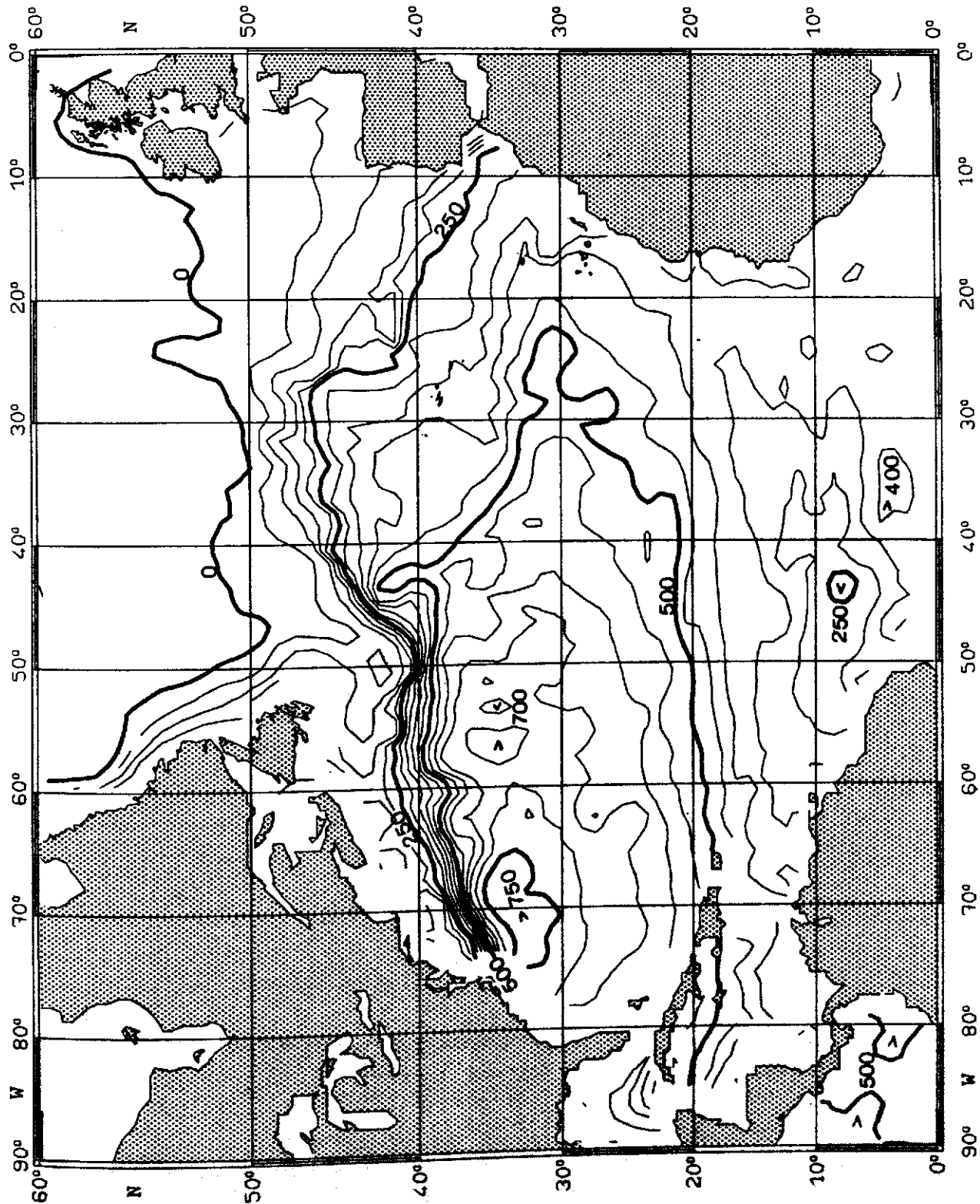


Fig. 52:

PRESSURE ( $10^4$  Pa) on  $\sigma_\theta = 27.0 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$

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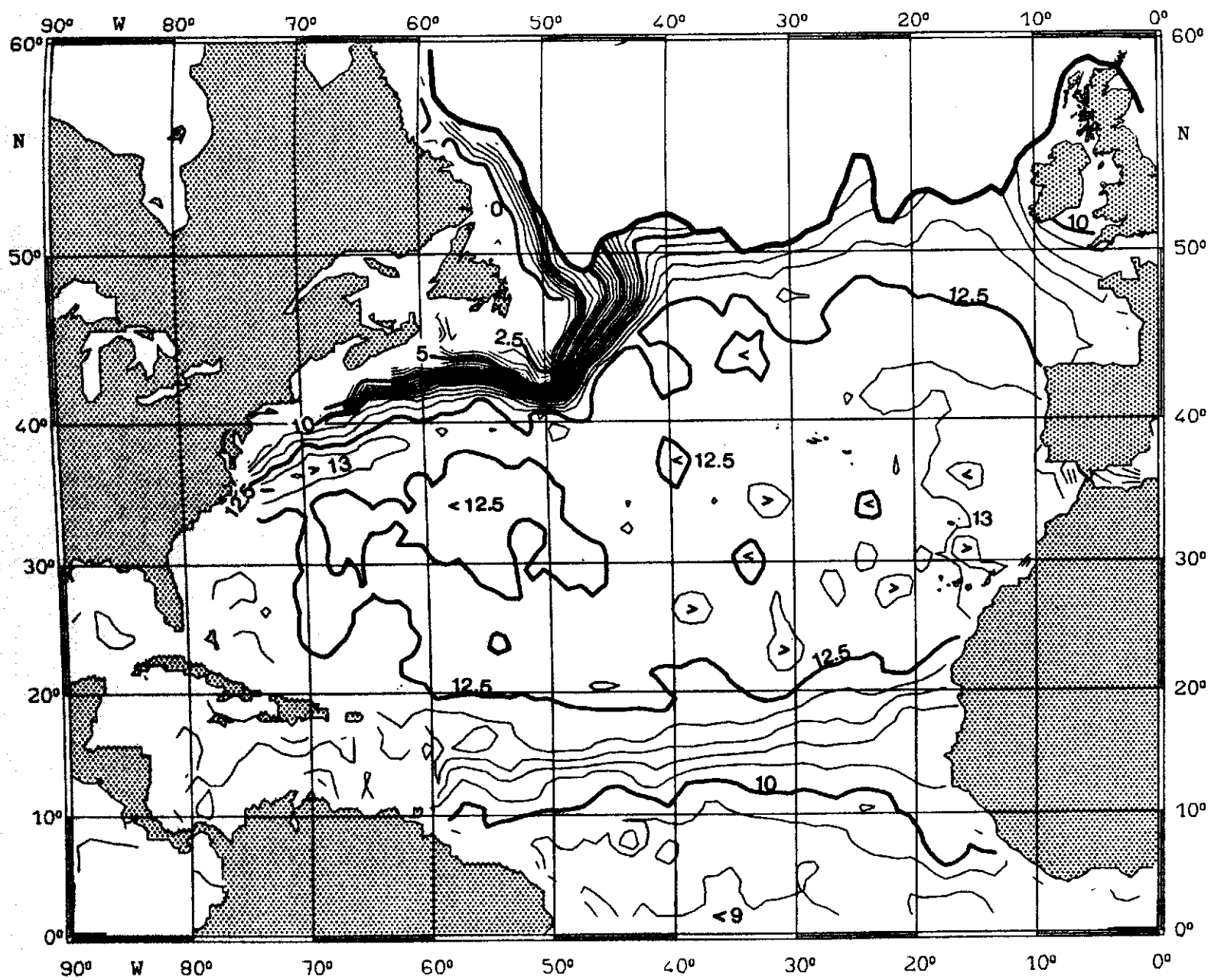


Fig. 53:  
TEMPERATURE ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ) on  $\sigma_\theta = 27.0 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$   
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Fig. 54:

SALINITY ( $10^{-3}$ ) on  $\sigma_{\theta} = 27.0 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$  MAY

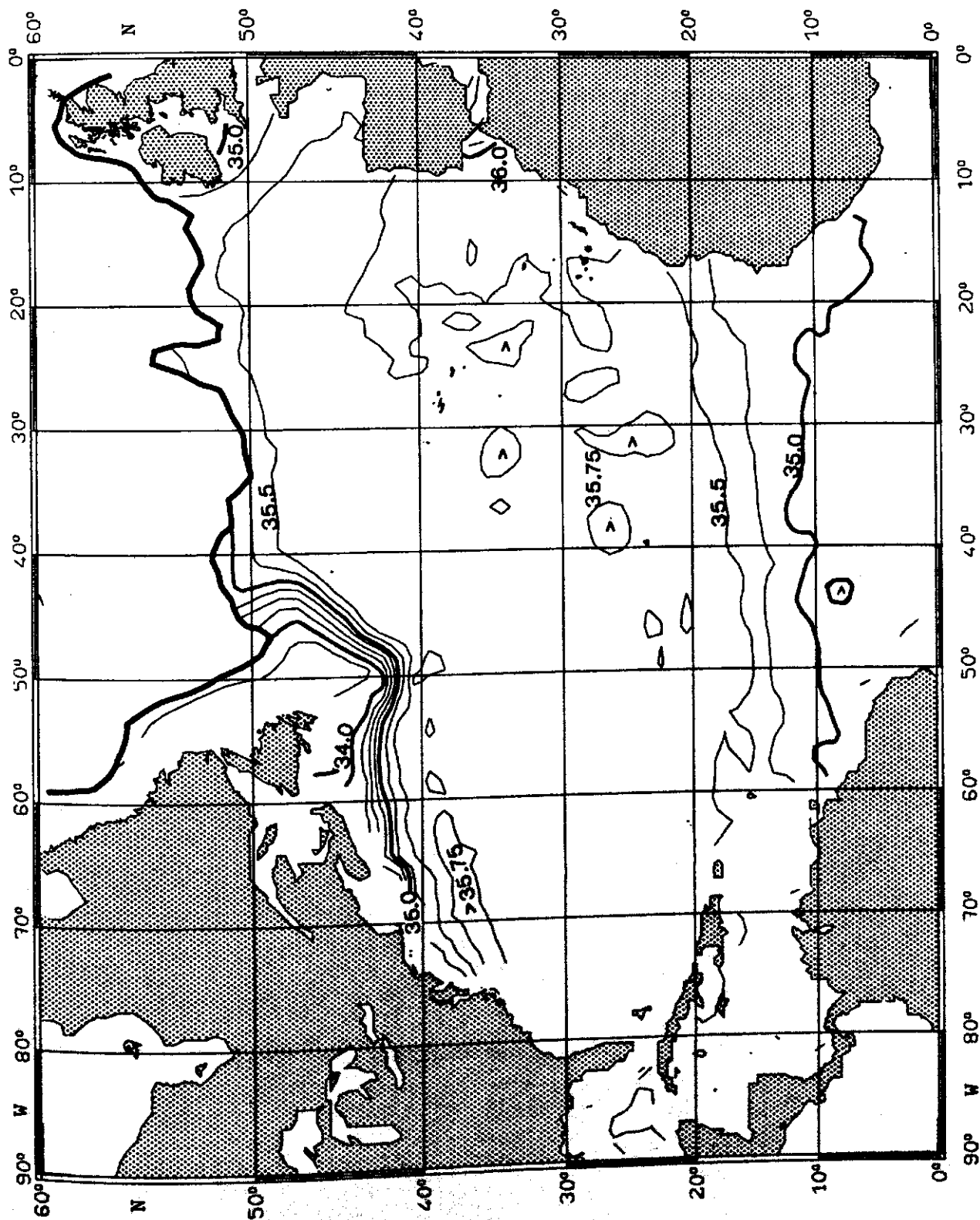


Fig. 55:

PRESSURE ( $10^4$  Pa) on  $\sigma_\theta = 25.0 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$  JUNE

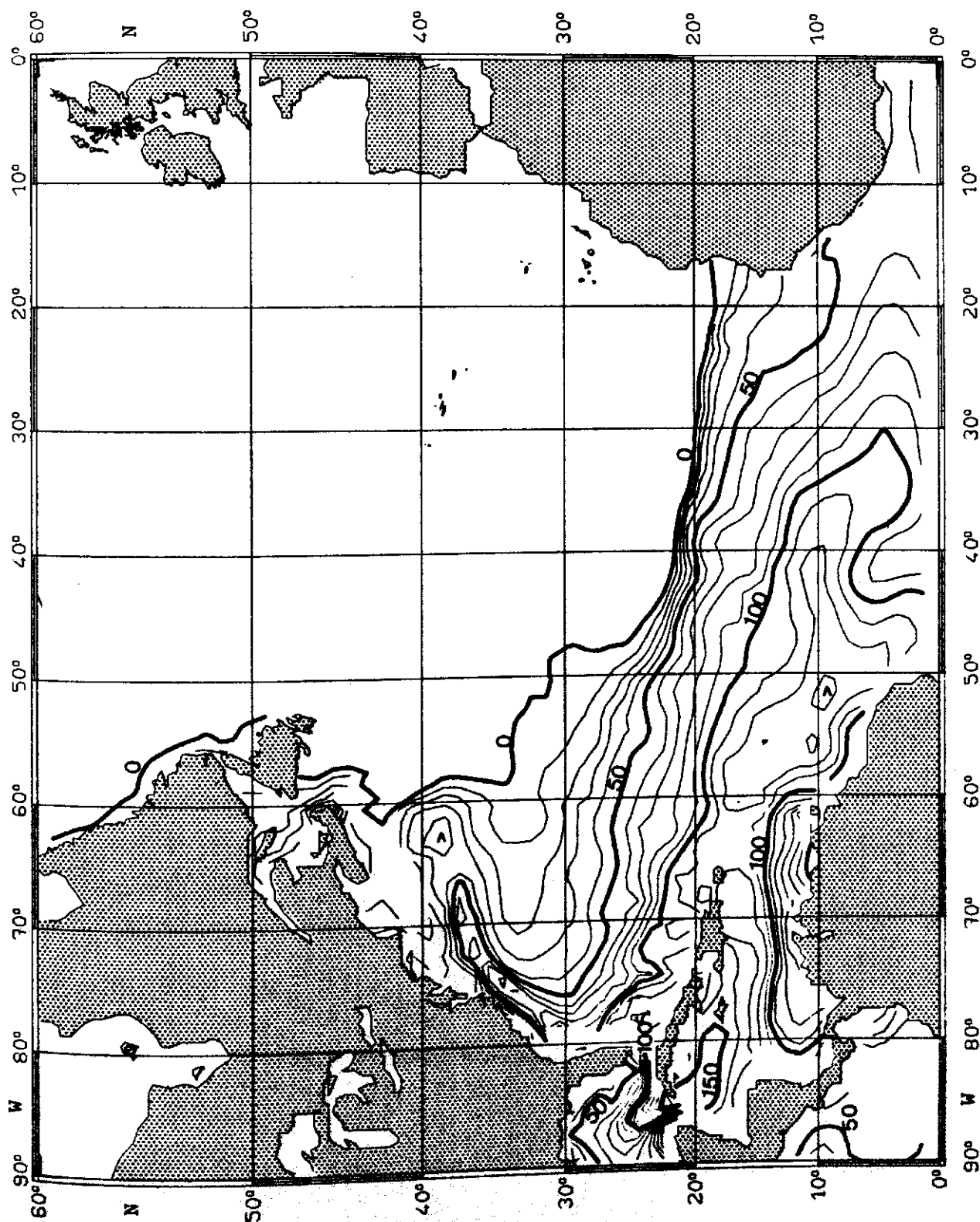


Fig. 57:

TEMPERATURE ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ) on  $\sigma_{\theta} = 25.0 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$  JUNE

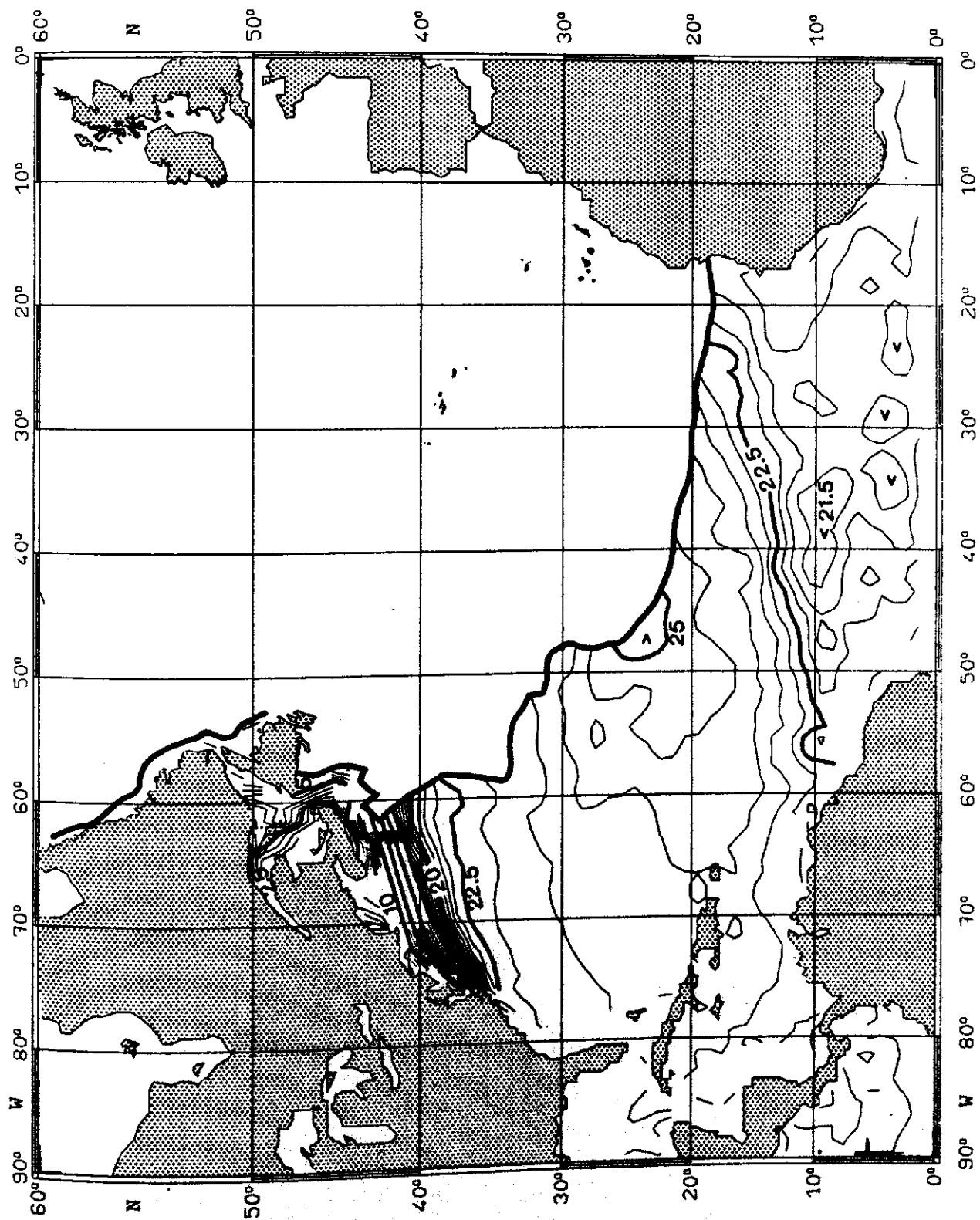


Fig. 58:

SALINITY ( $10^{-3}$ ) on  $\sigma_{\theta} = 25.0 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$

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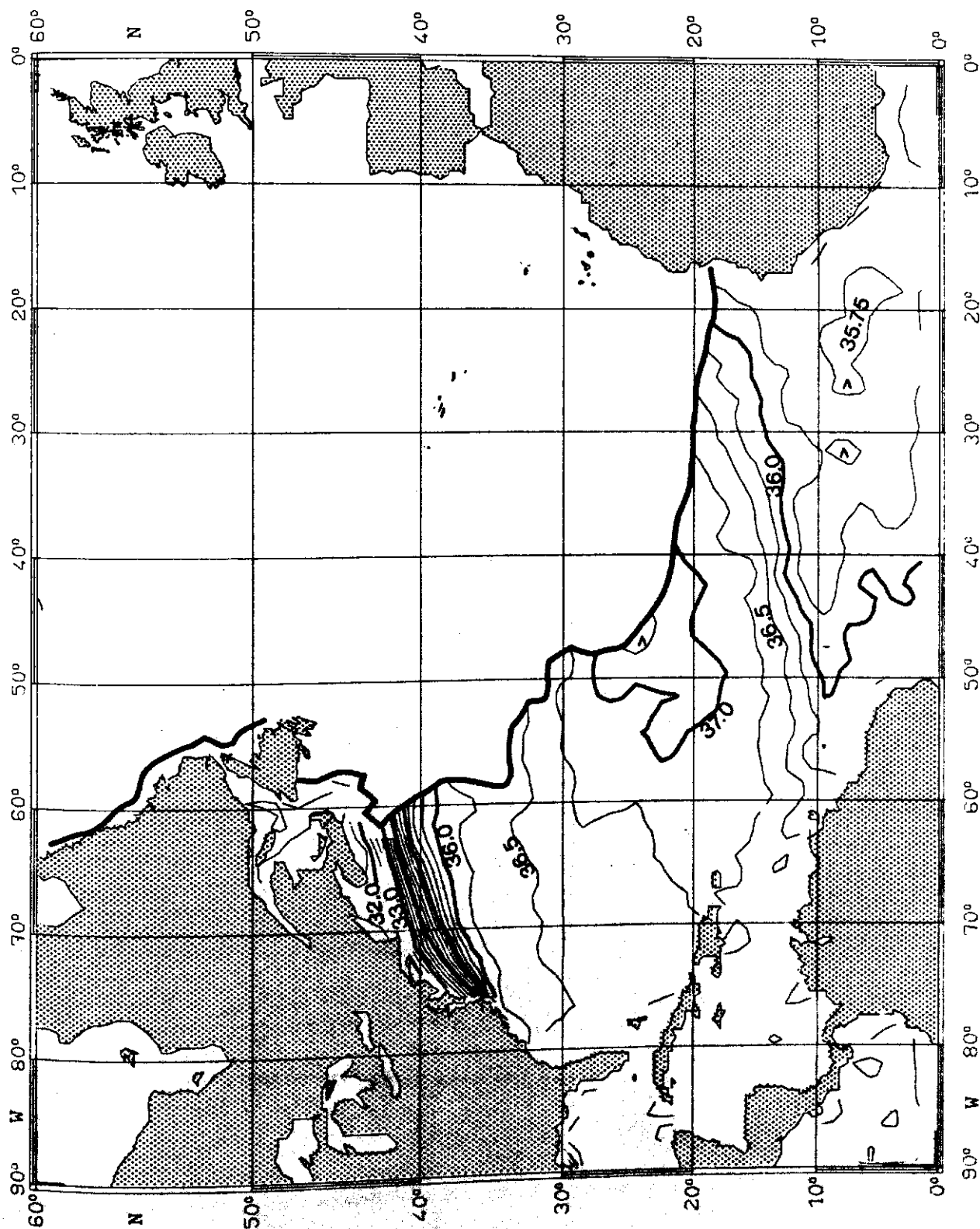


Fig. 58:

PRESSURE ( $10^4$  Pa) on  $\sigma_\theta = 25.5 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$  JUNE

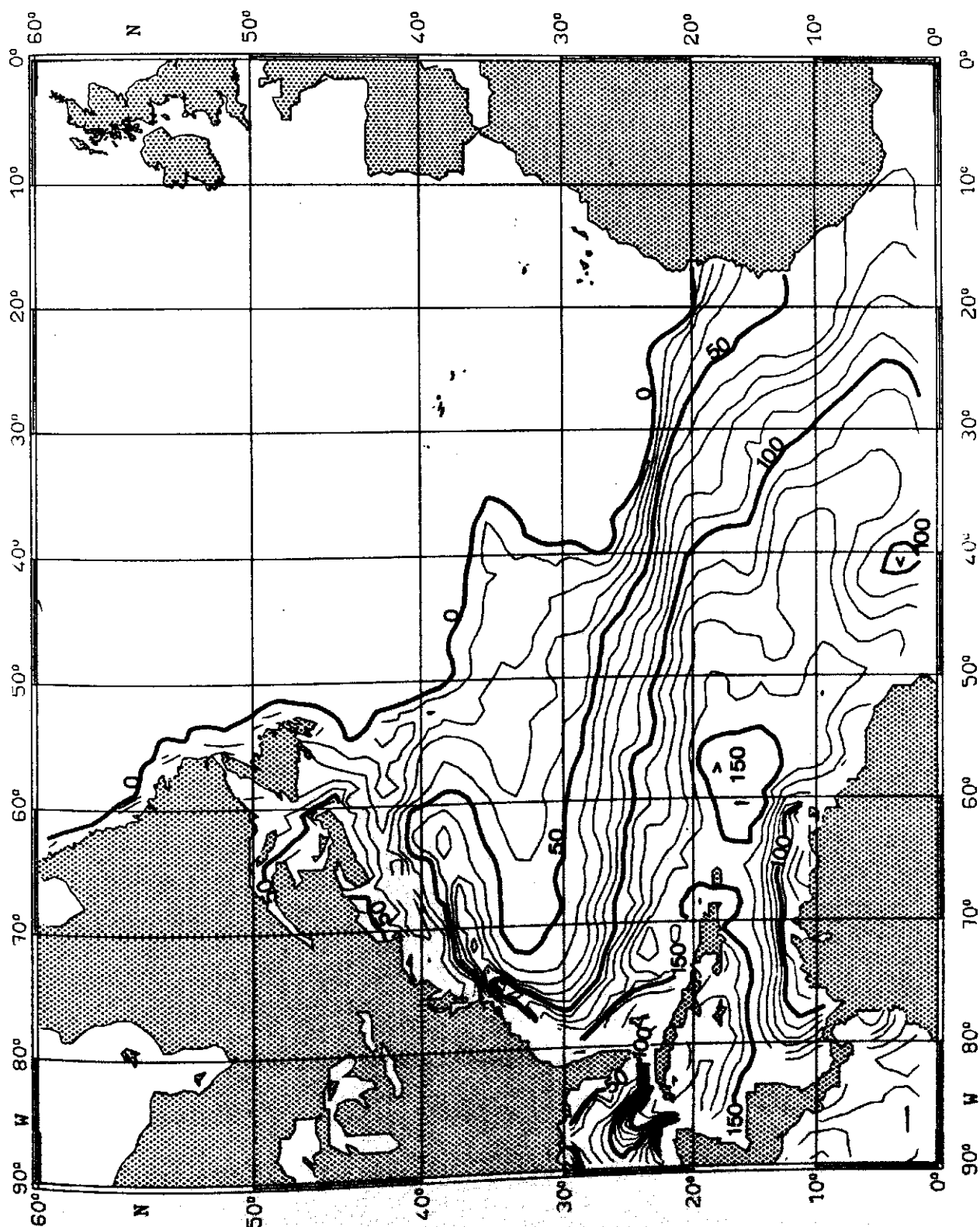


Fig. 59:

TEMPERATURE ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ) on  $\sigma_{\theta} = 25.5 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$  JUNE

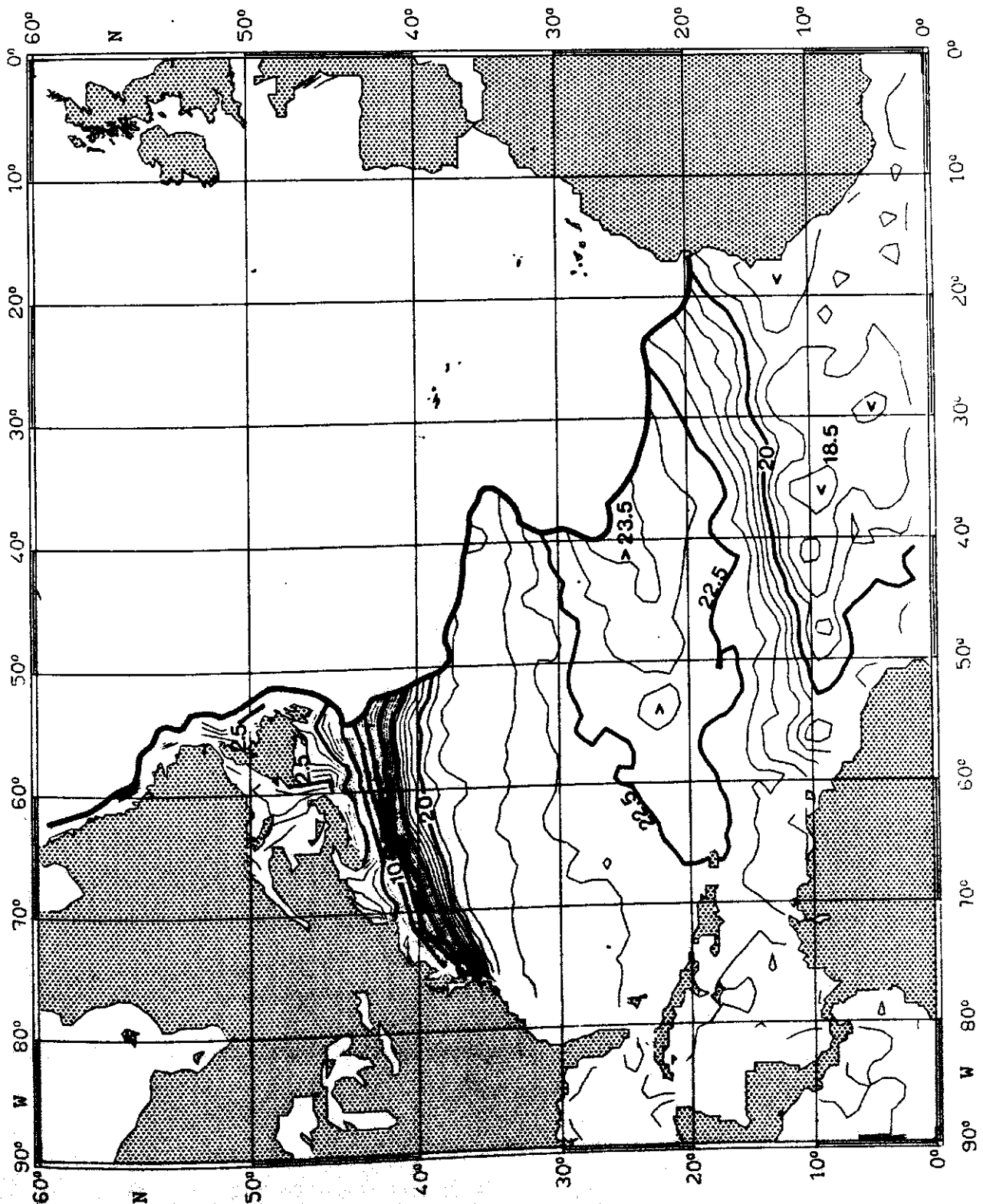


Fig. 60:

SALINITY ( $10^{-3}$ ) on  $\sigma_{\theta} = 25.5 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$

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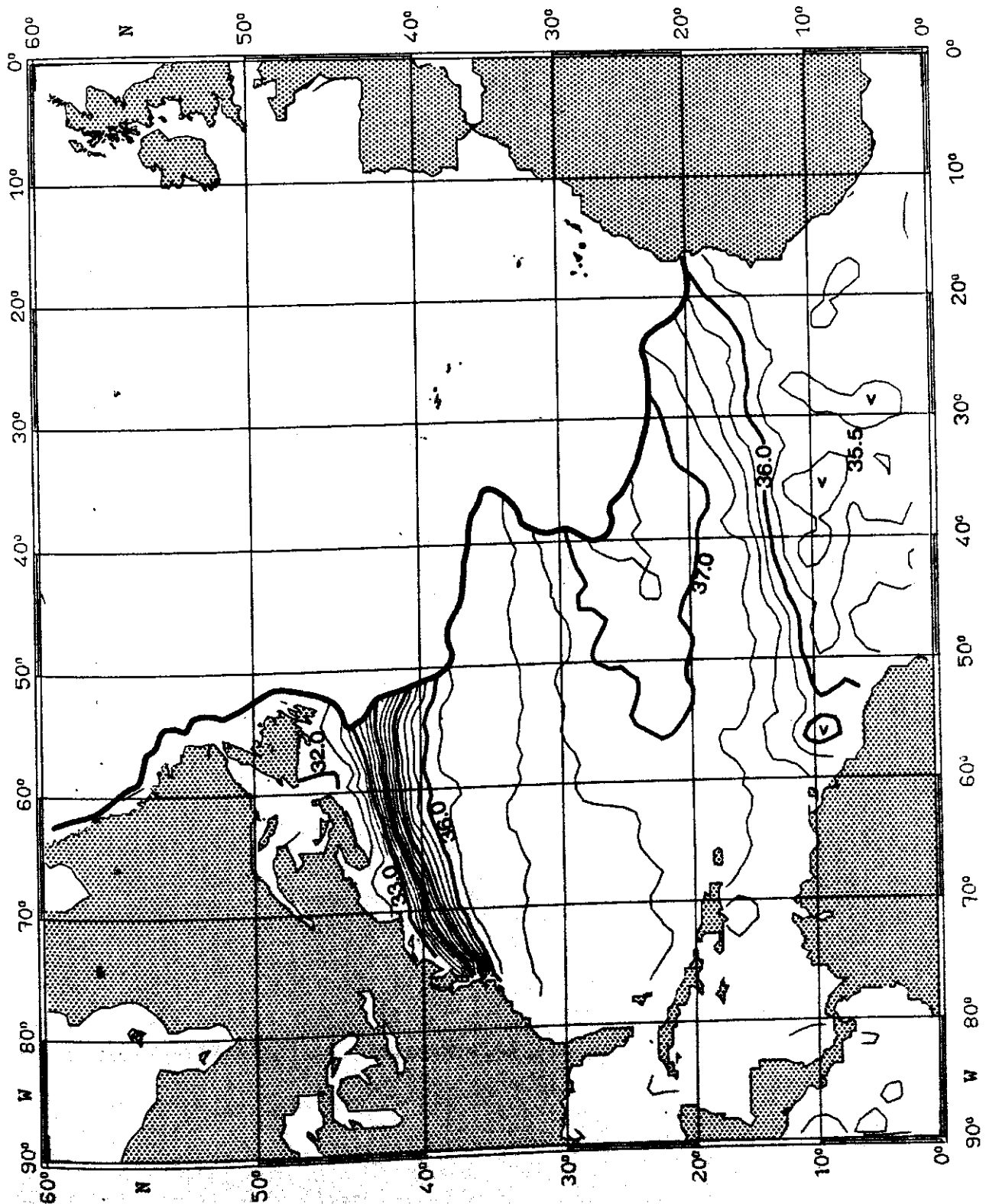


Fig. 61:

PRESSURE ( $10^4$  Pa) on  $\sigma_\theta = 26.0 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$

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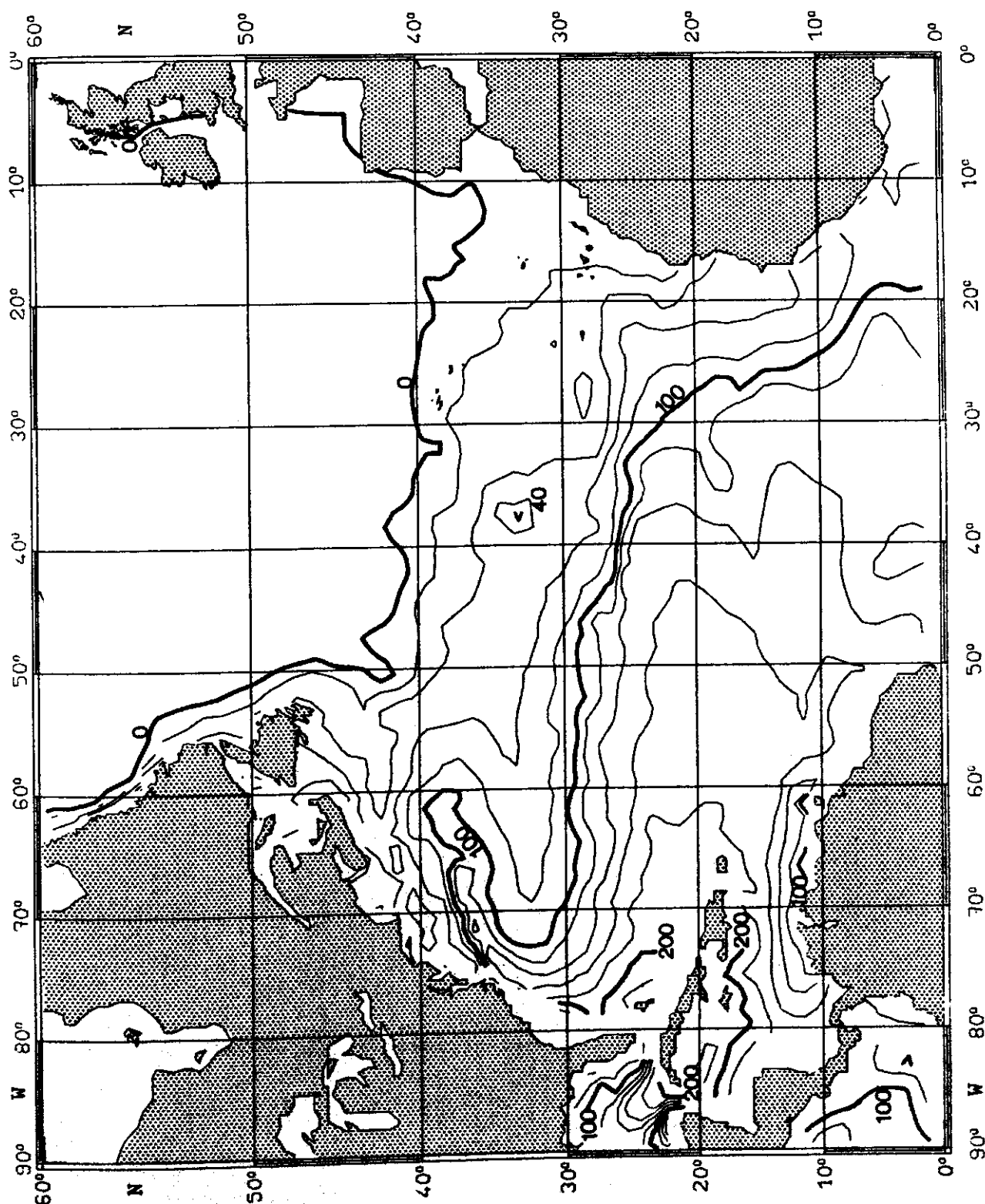




Fig. 62:

TEMPERATURE ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ) on  $\sigma_{\theta} = 26.0 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$

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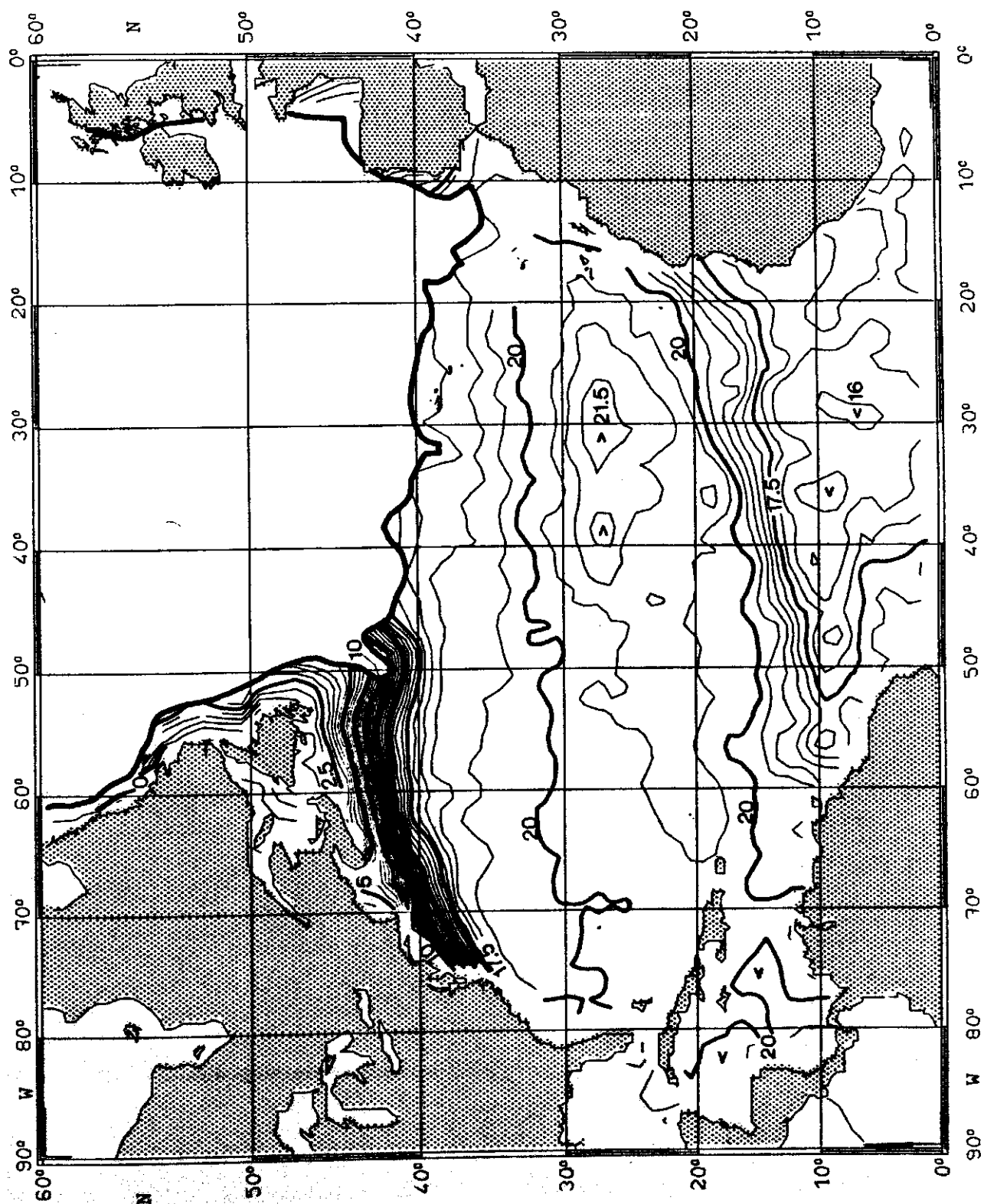


Fig. 63:

SALINITY ( $10^{-3}$ ) on  $\sigma_{\theta} = 26.0 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$  JUNE

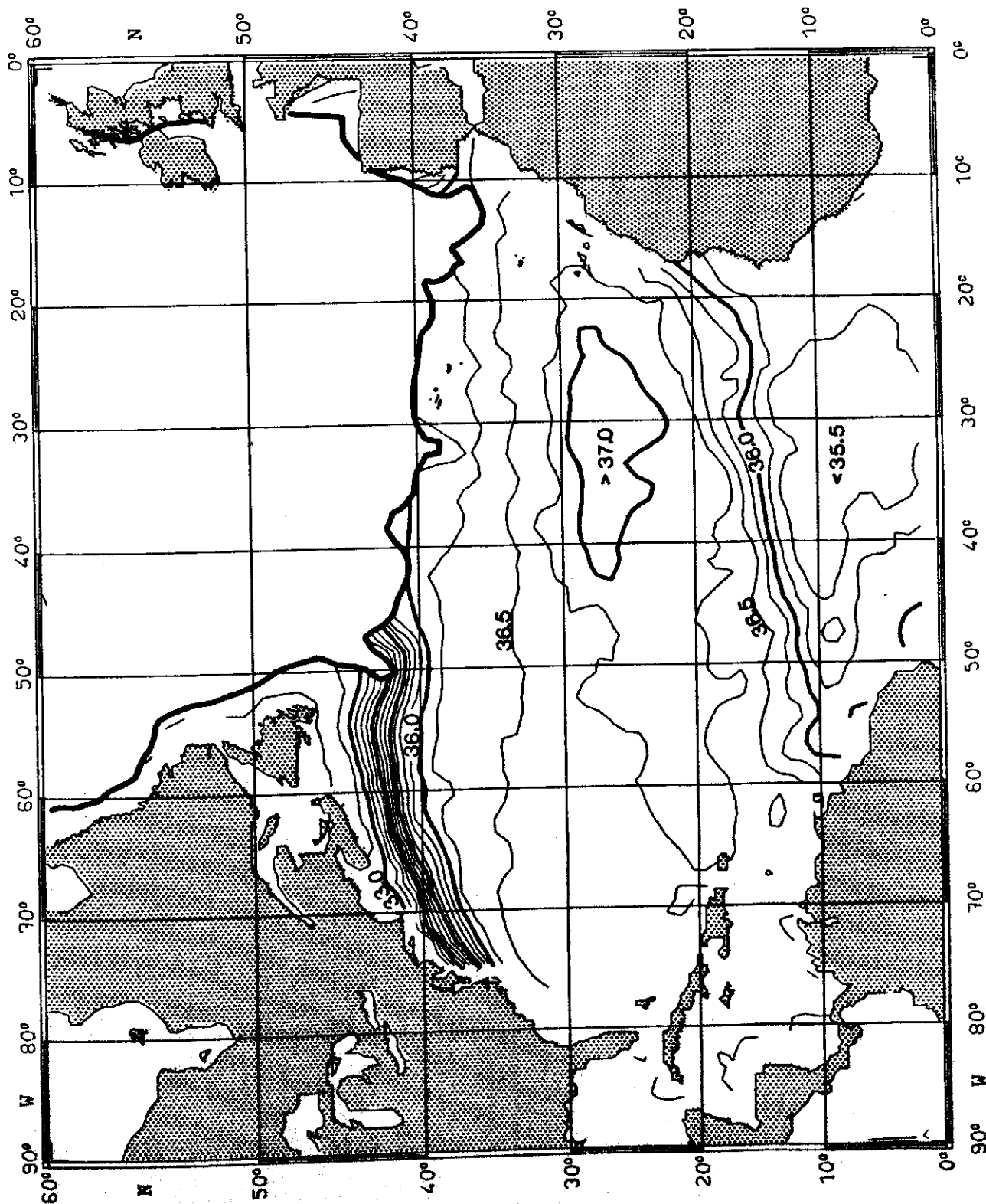


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PRESSURE ( $10^4$  Pa) on  $\sigma_\theta = 26.5 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$

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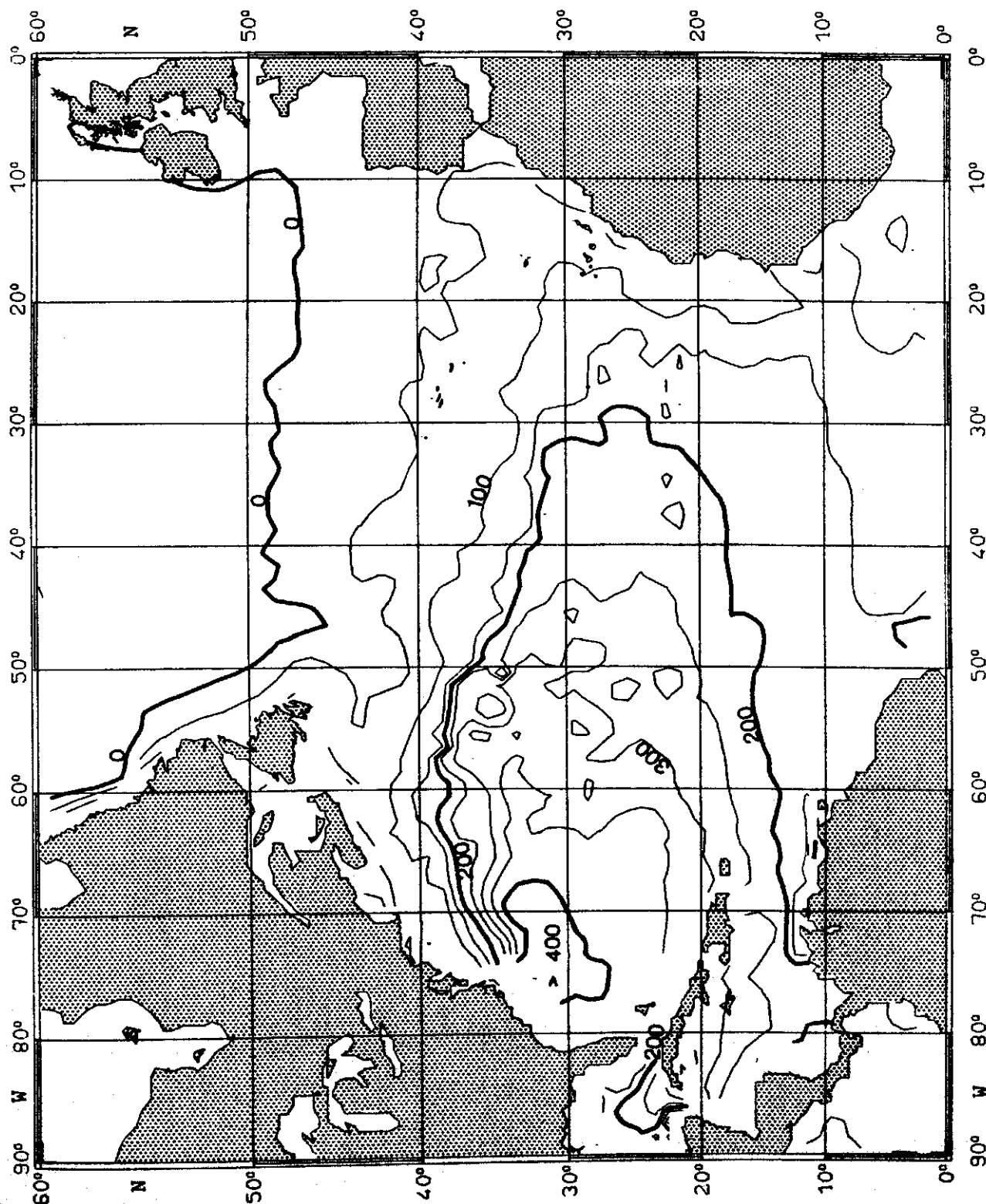


Fig. 65:  
TEMPERATURE (°C) on  $\sigma_\theta = 26.5 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$  JUNE

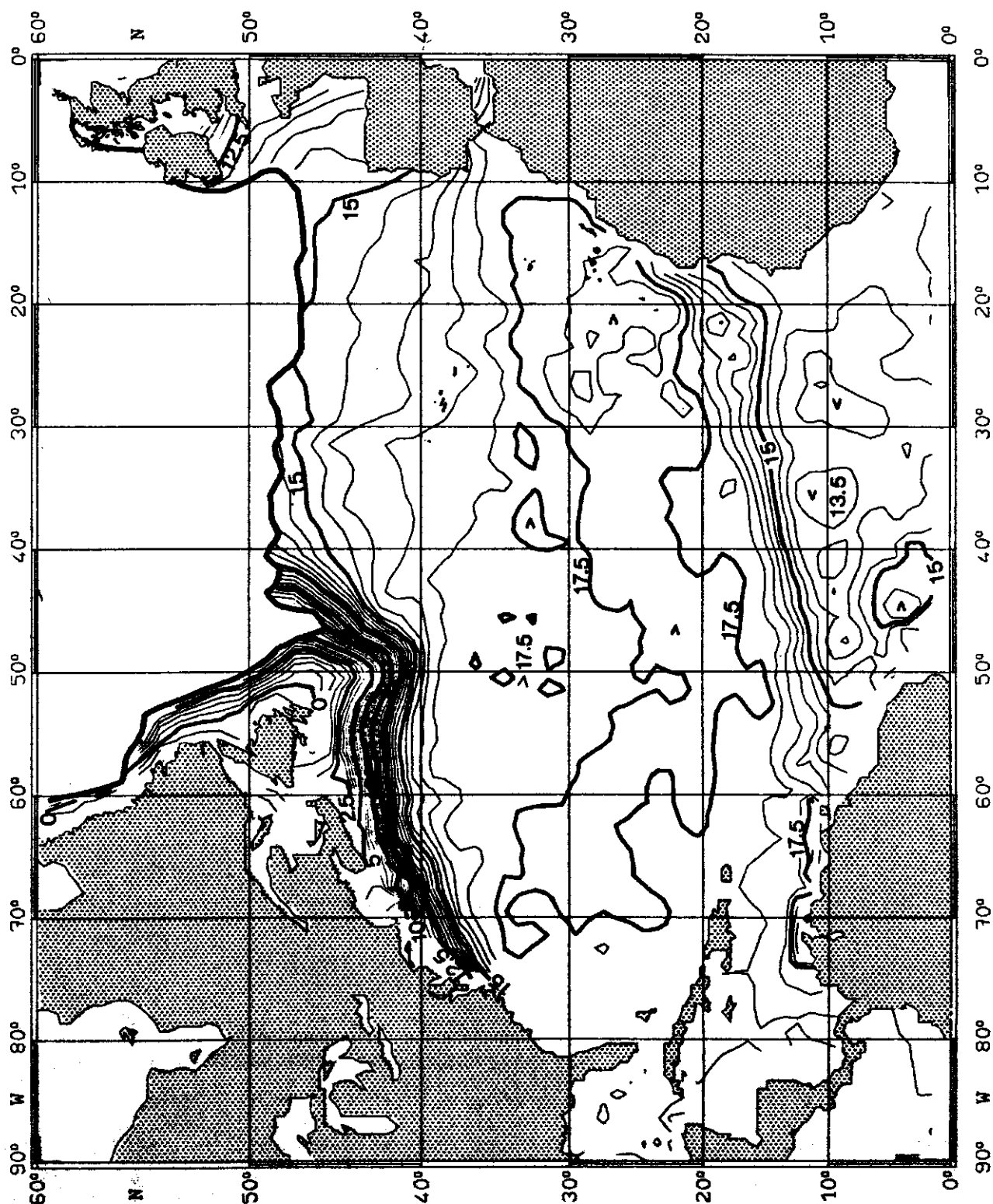


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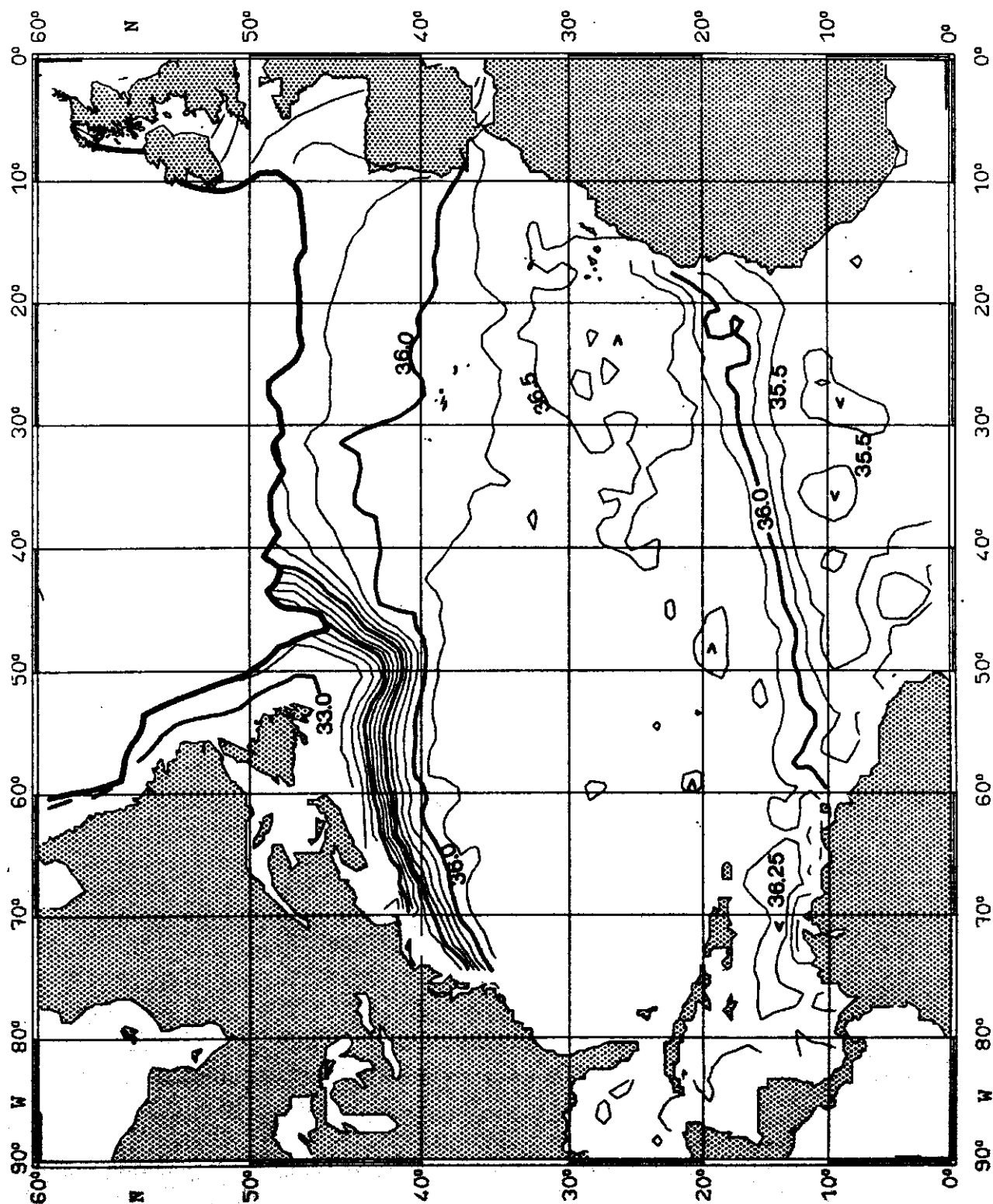


Fig. 67:

PRESSURE ( $10^4$  Pa) on  $\sigma_\theta = 27.0 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$

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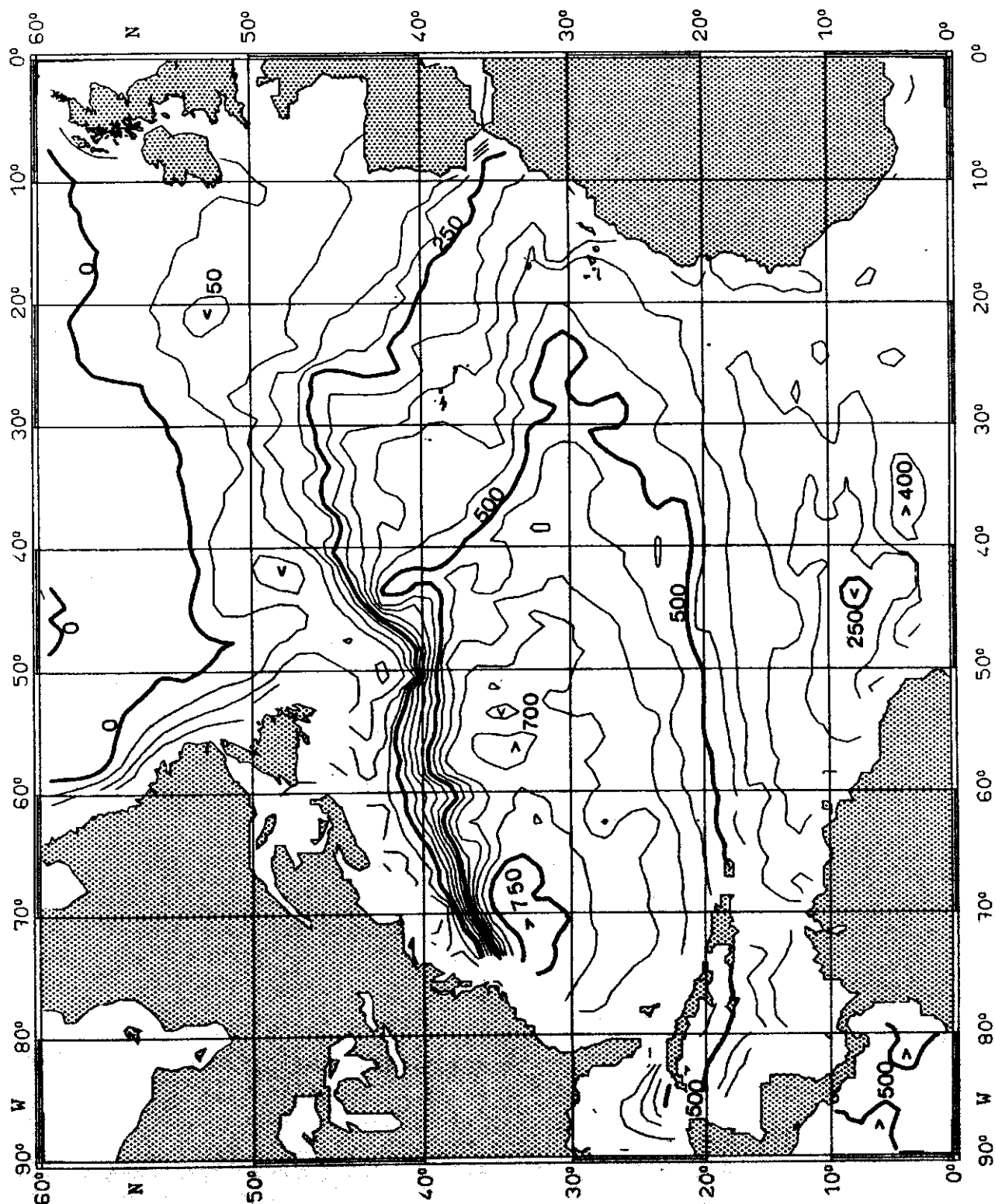


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TEMPERATURE ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ) on  $\sigma_{\theta} = 27.0 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$

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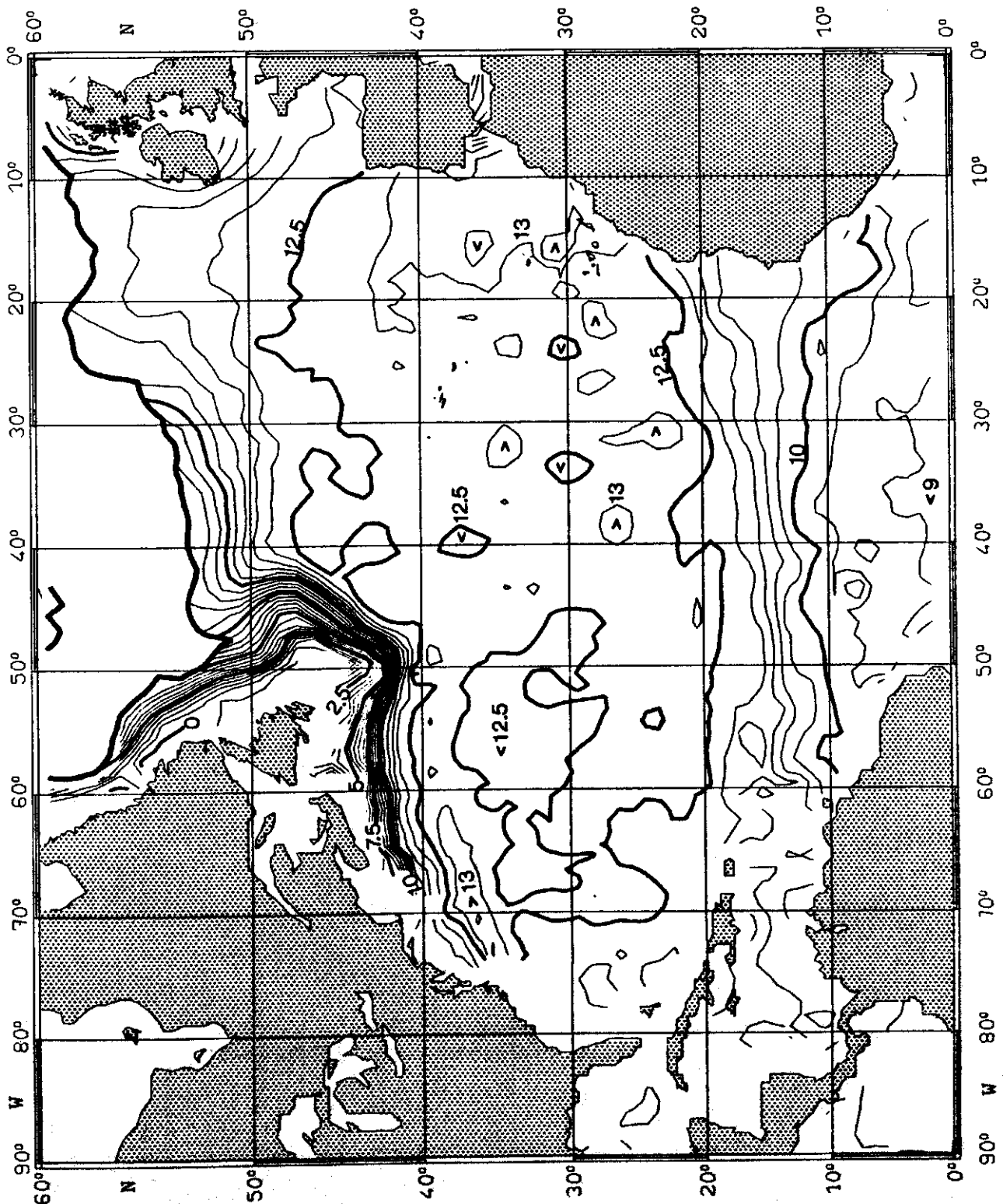


Fig. 69:

SALINITY ( $10^{-3}$ ) on  $\sigma_{\theta} = 27.0 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$  JUNE

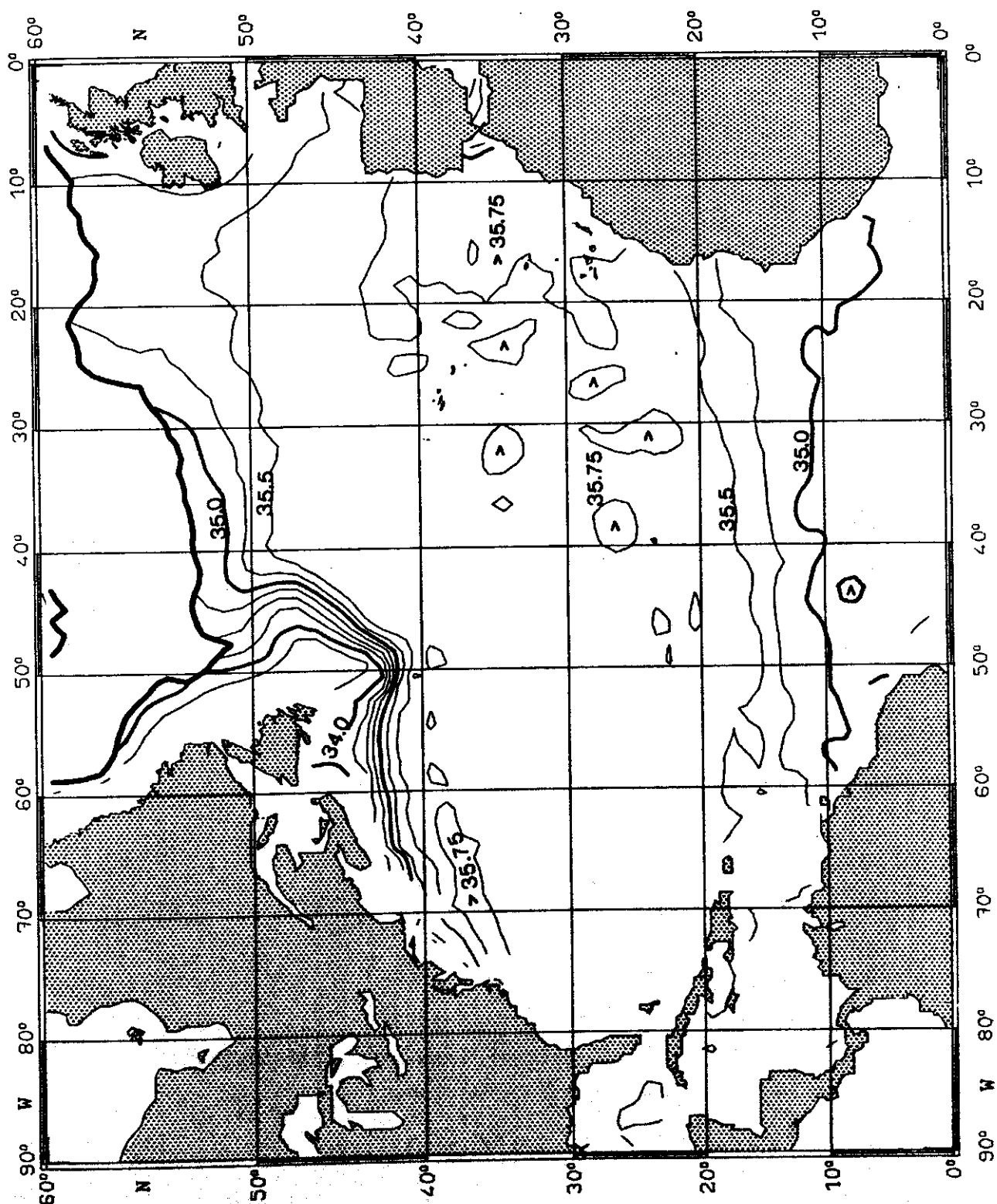




Fig. 70:

PRESSURE ( $10^4$  Pa) on  $\sigma_\theta = 25.0 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$

JULY

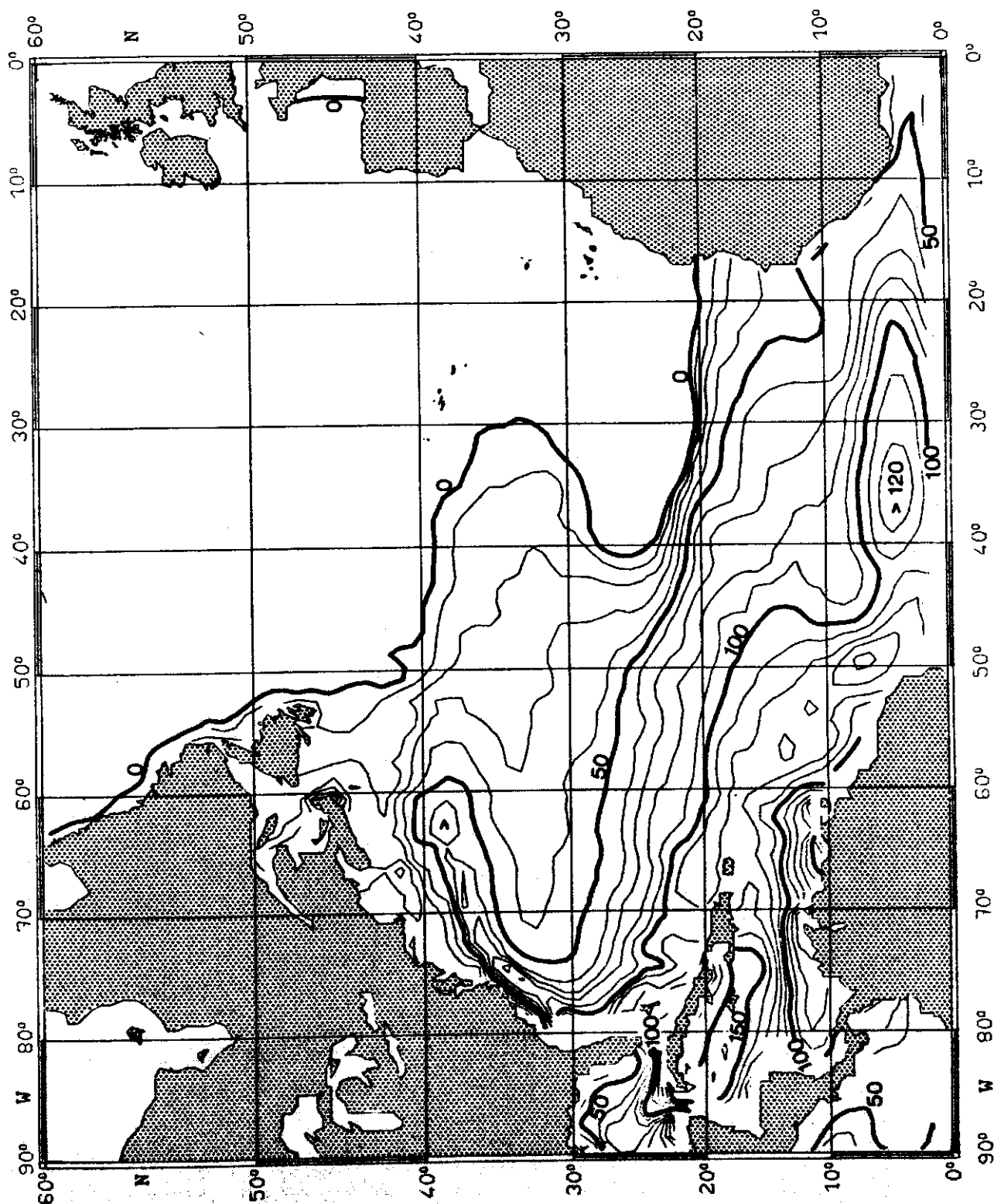


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TEMPERATURE ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ) on  $\sigma_{\theta} = 25.0 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$

JULY

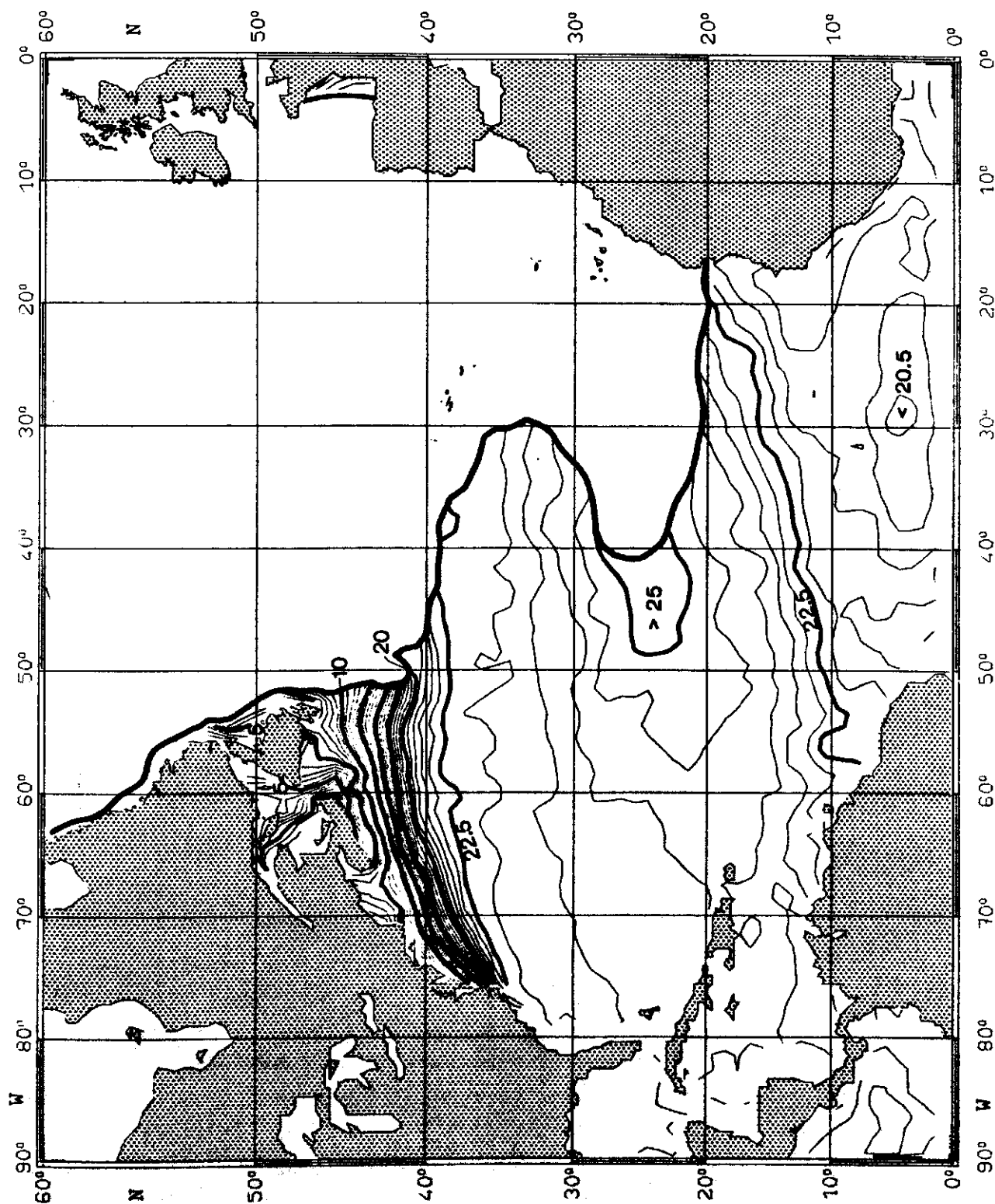


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SALINITY ( $10^{-3}$ ) on  $\sigma_{\theta} = 25.0 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$  JULY

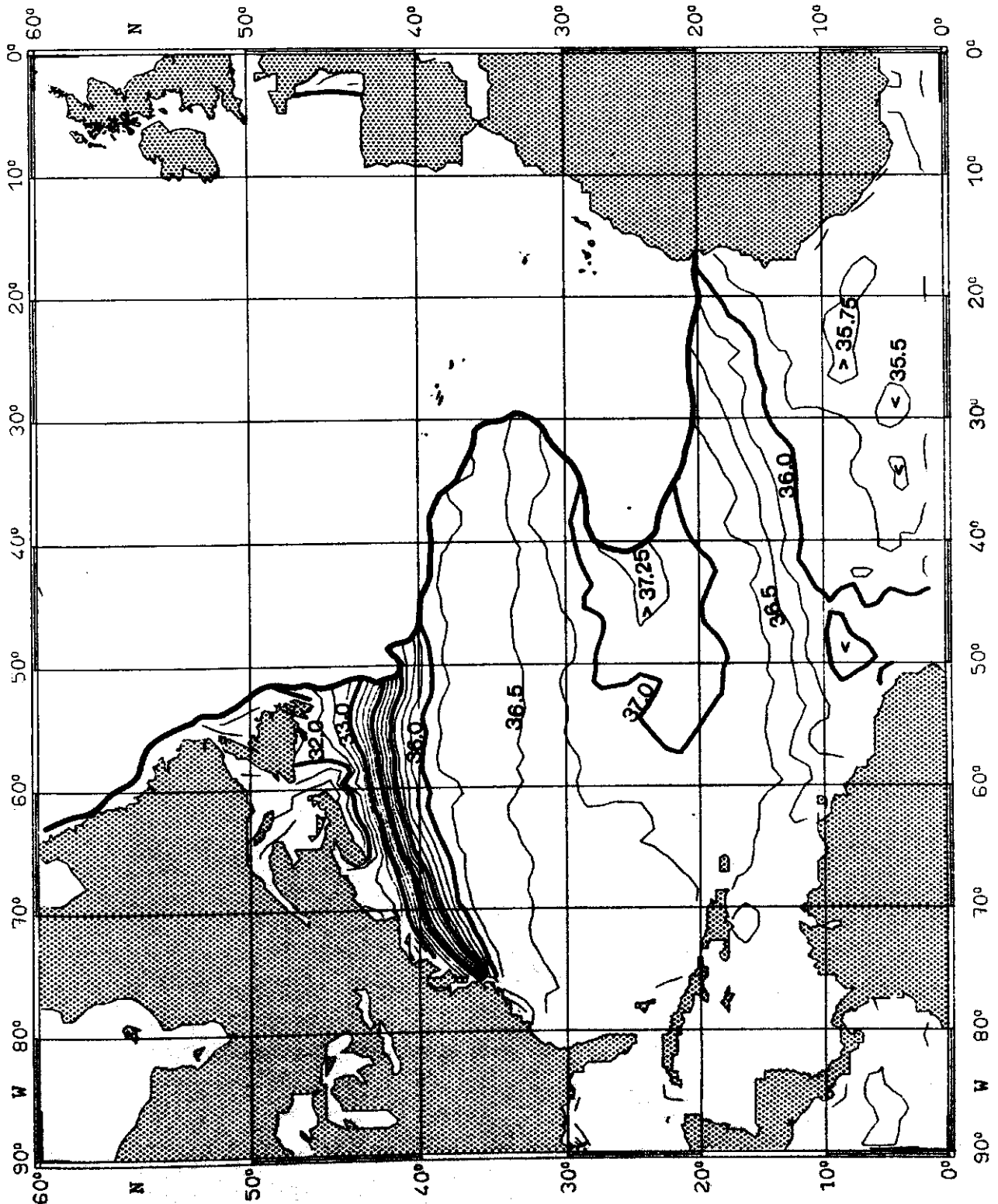


Fig. 73:

PRESSURE ( $10^4$  Pa) on  $\sigma_\theta = 25.5 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$

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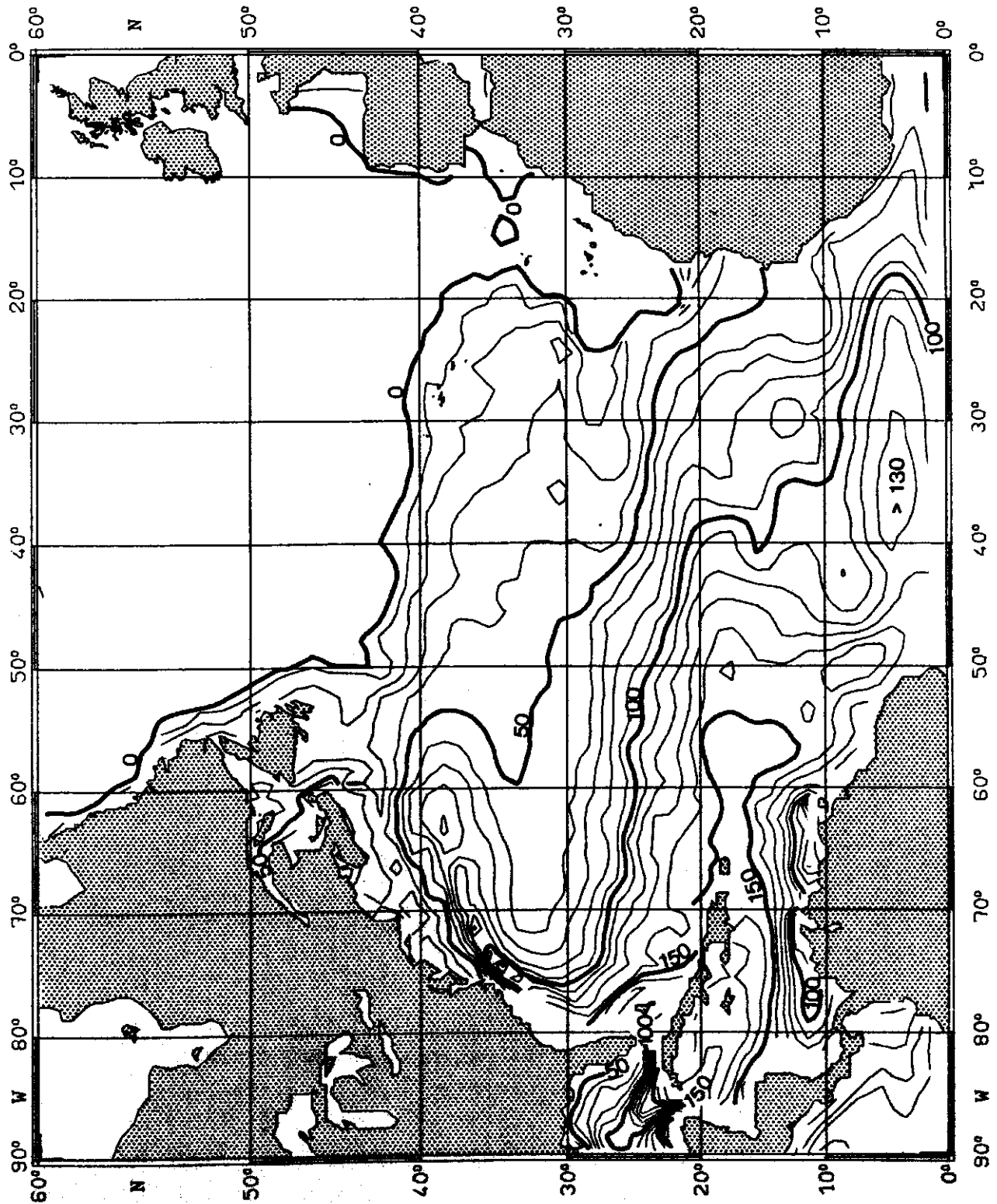


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TEMPERATURE ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ) on  $\sigma_{\theta} = 25.5 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$  JULY

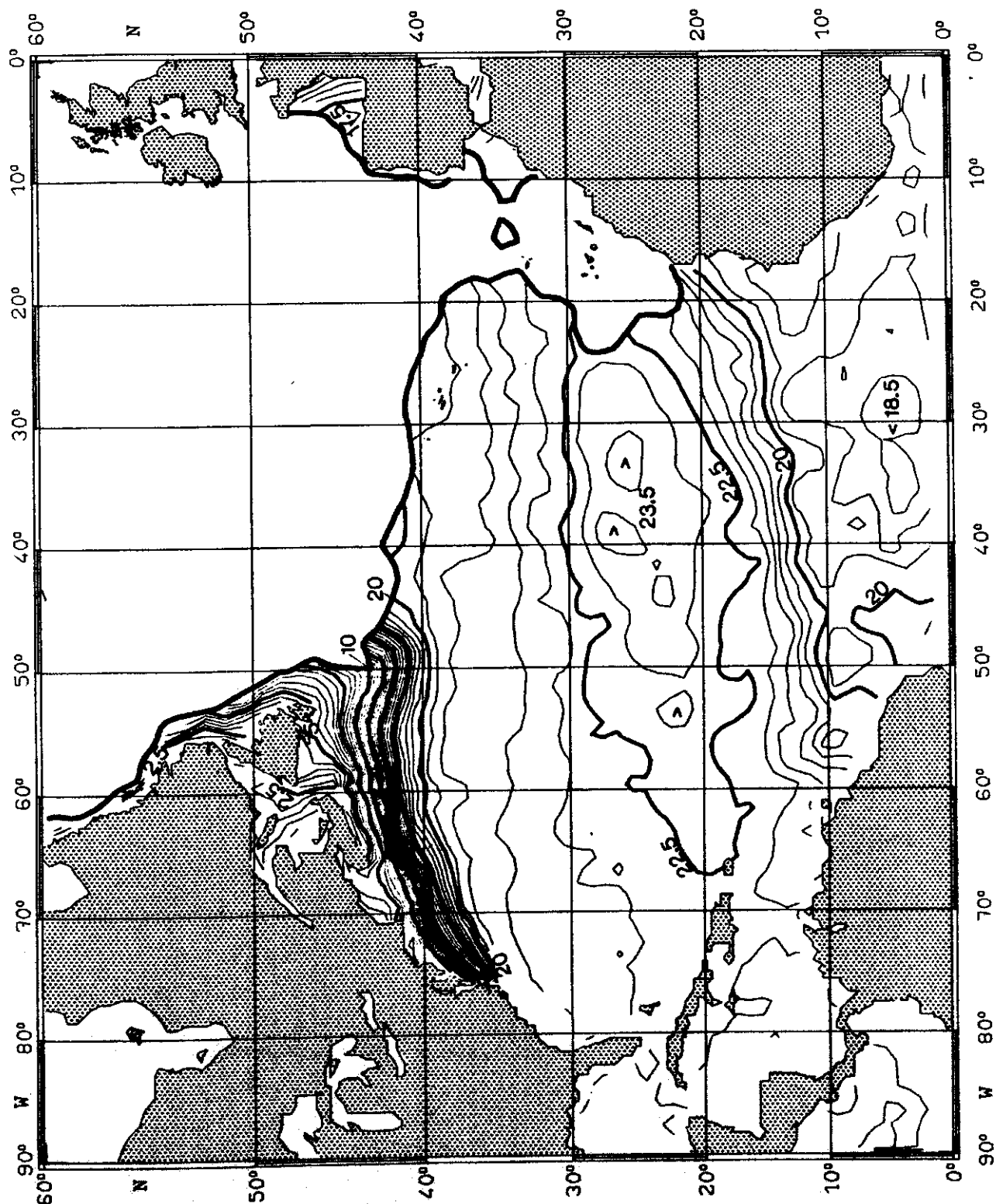


Fig. 75:

SALINITY ( $10^{-3}$ ) on  $\sigma_{\theta} = 25.5 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$  JULY

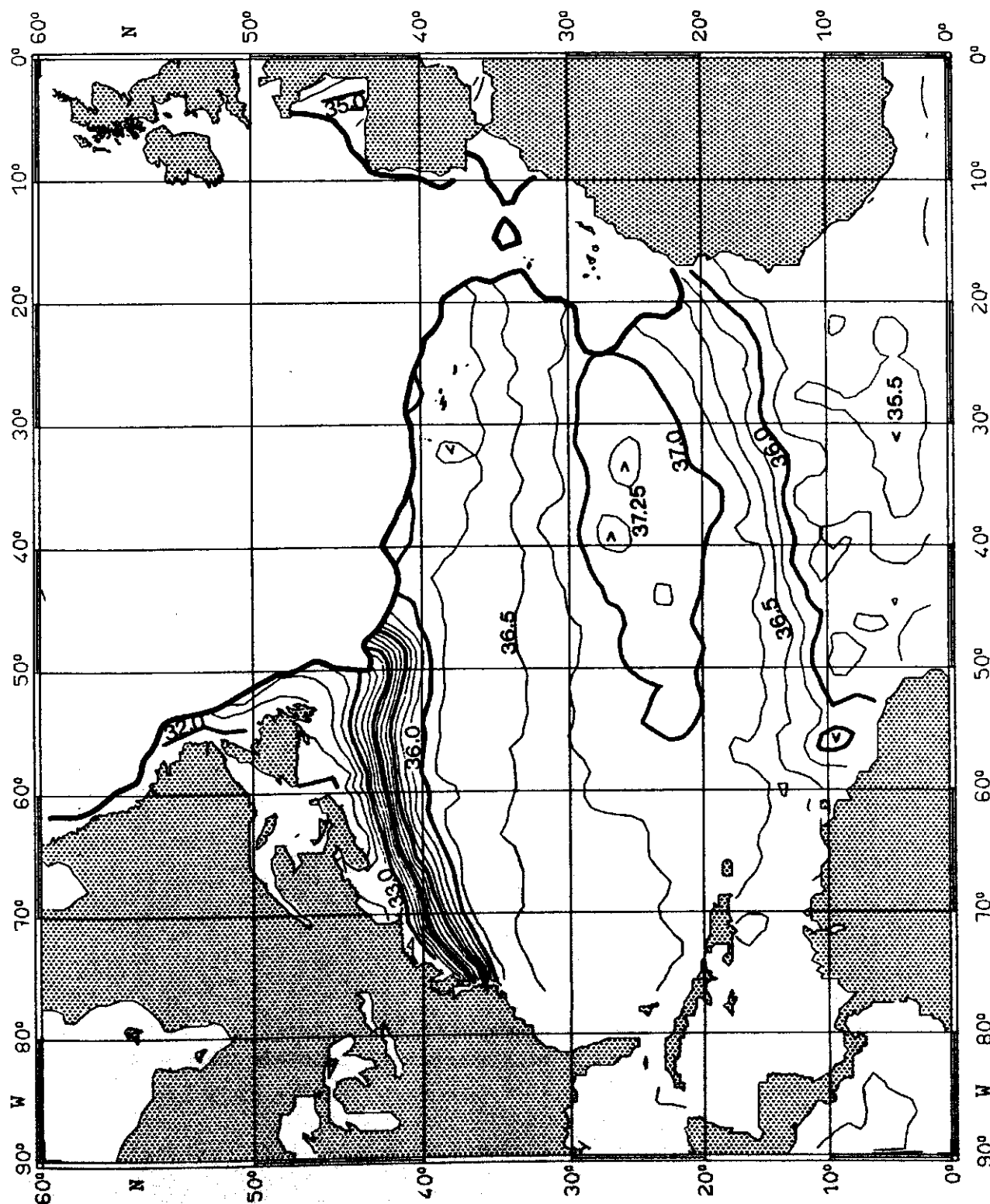


Fig. 76:

PRESSURE ( $10^4$  Pa) on  $\sigma_\theta = 26.0 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$

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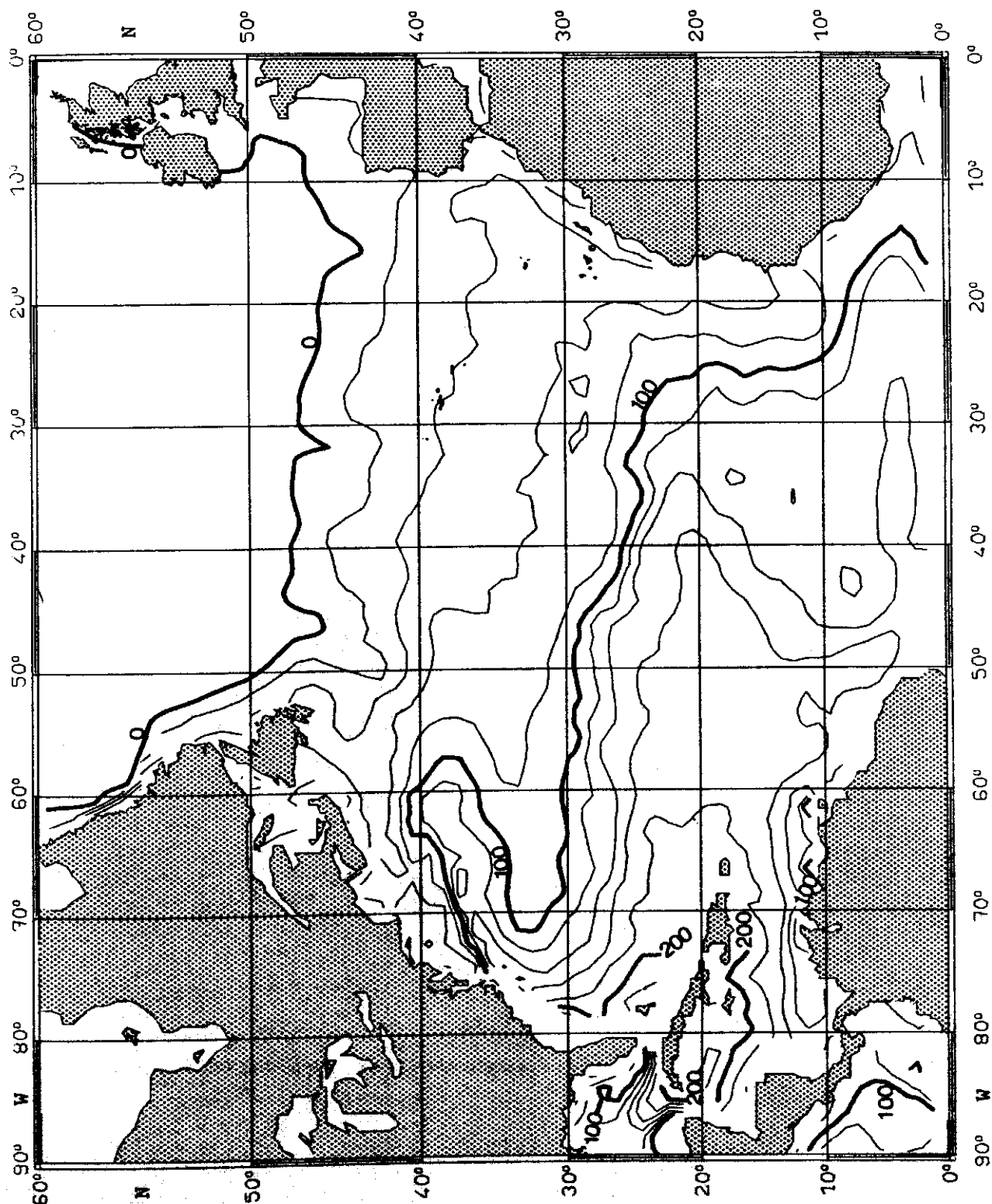


Fig. 77:

TEMPERATURE ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ) on  $\sigma_{\theta} = 26.0 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$

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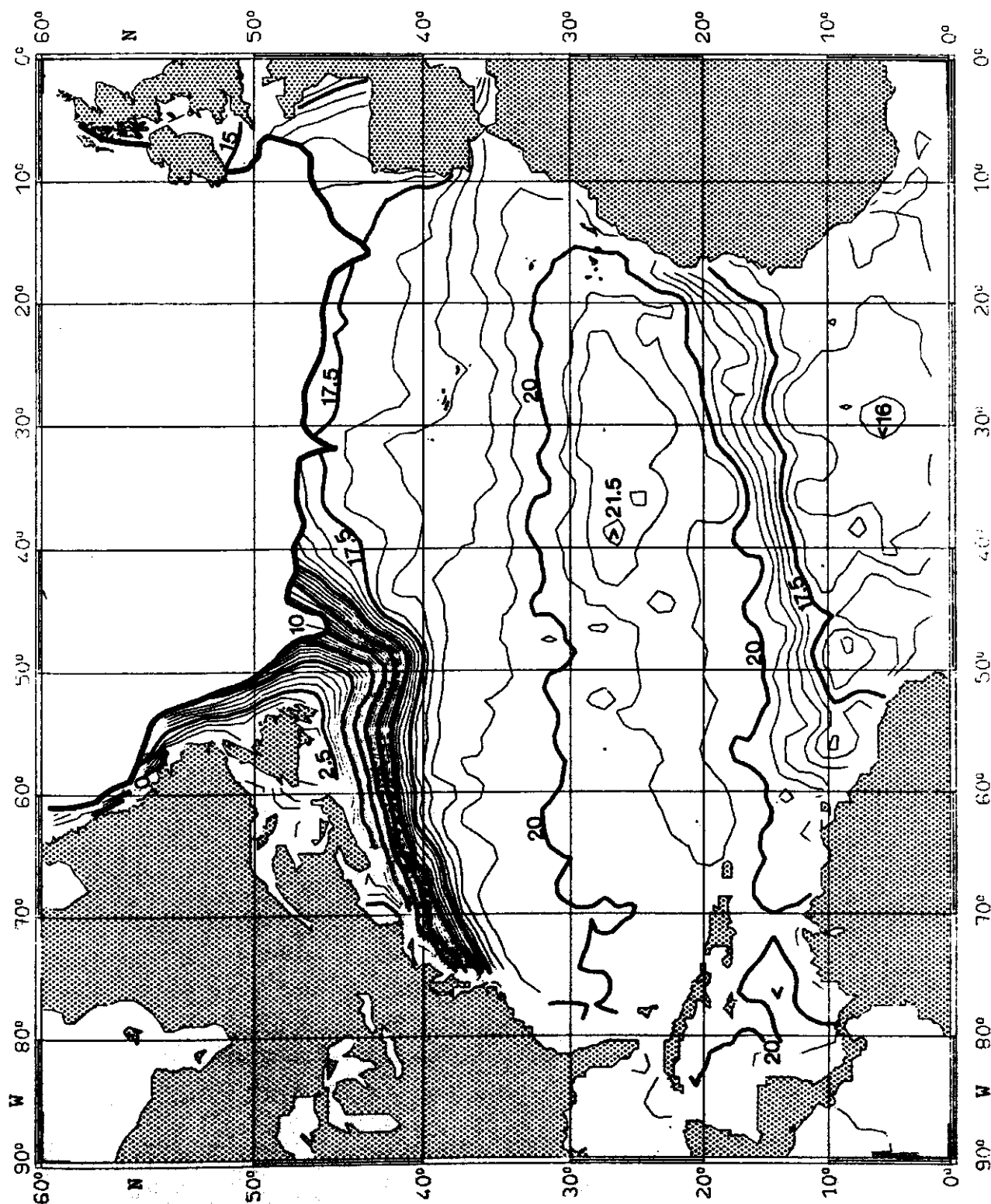




Fig. 78:

SALINITY ( $10^{-3}$ ) on  $\sigma_\theta = 26.0 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$

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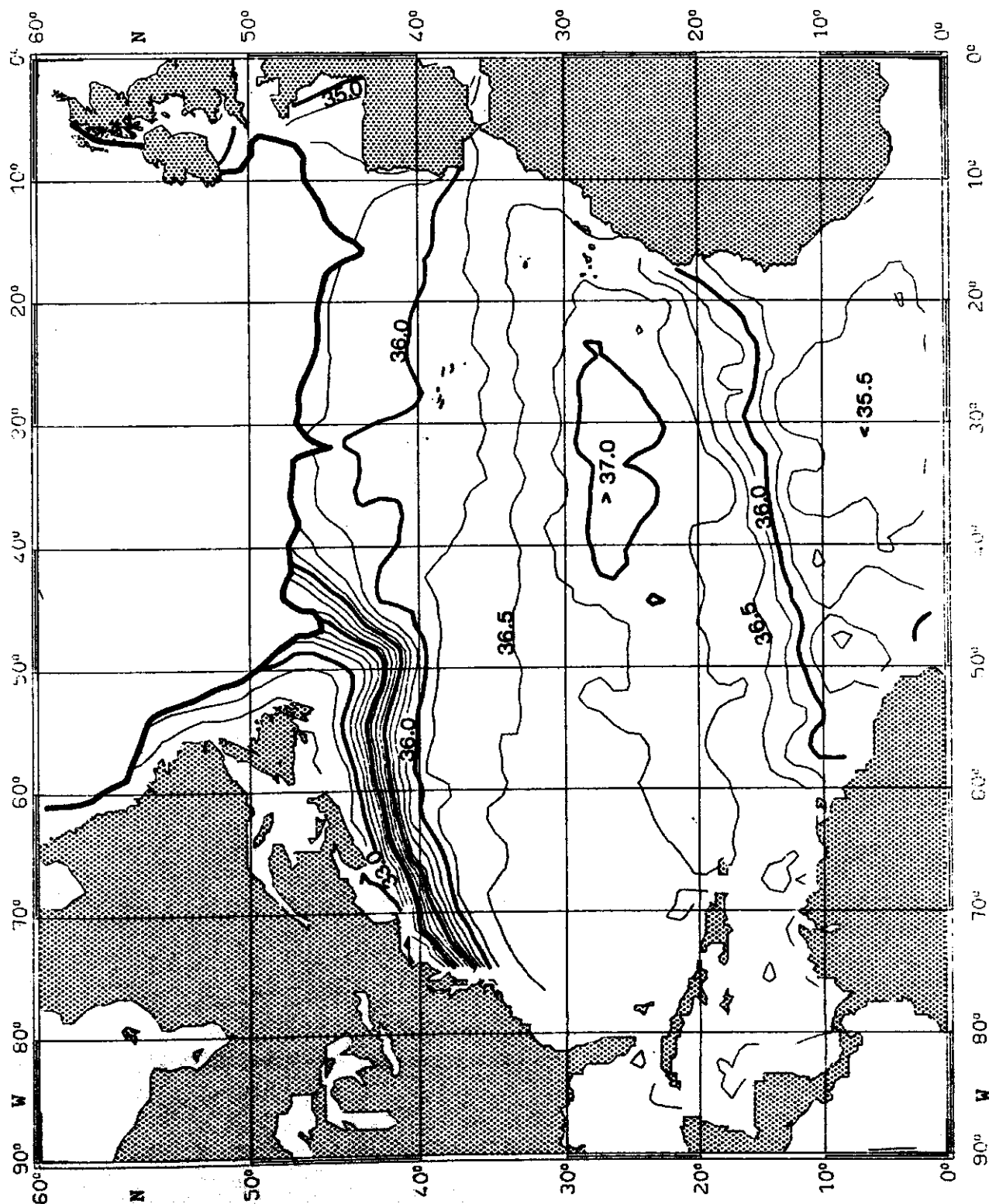


Fig. 79:

PRESSURE ( $10^4$  Pa) on  $\sigma_\theta = 26.5 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$  JULY

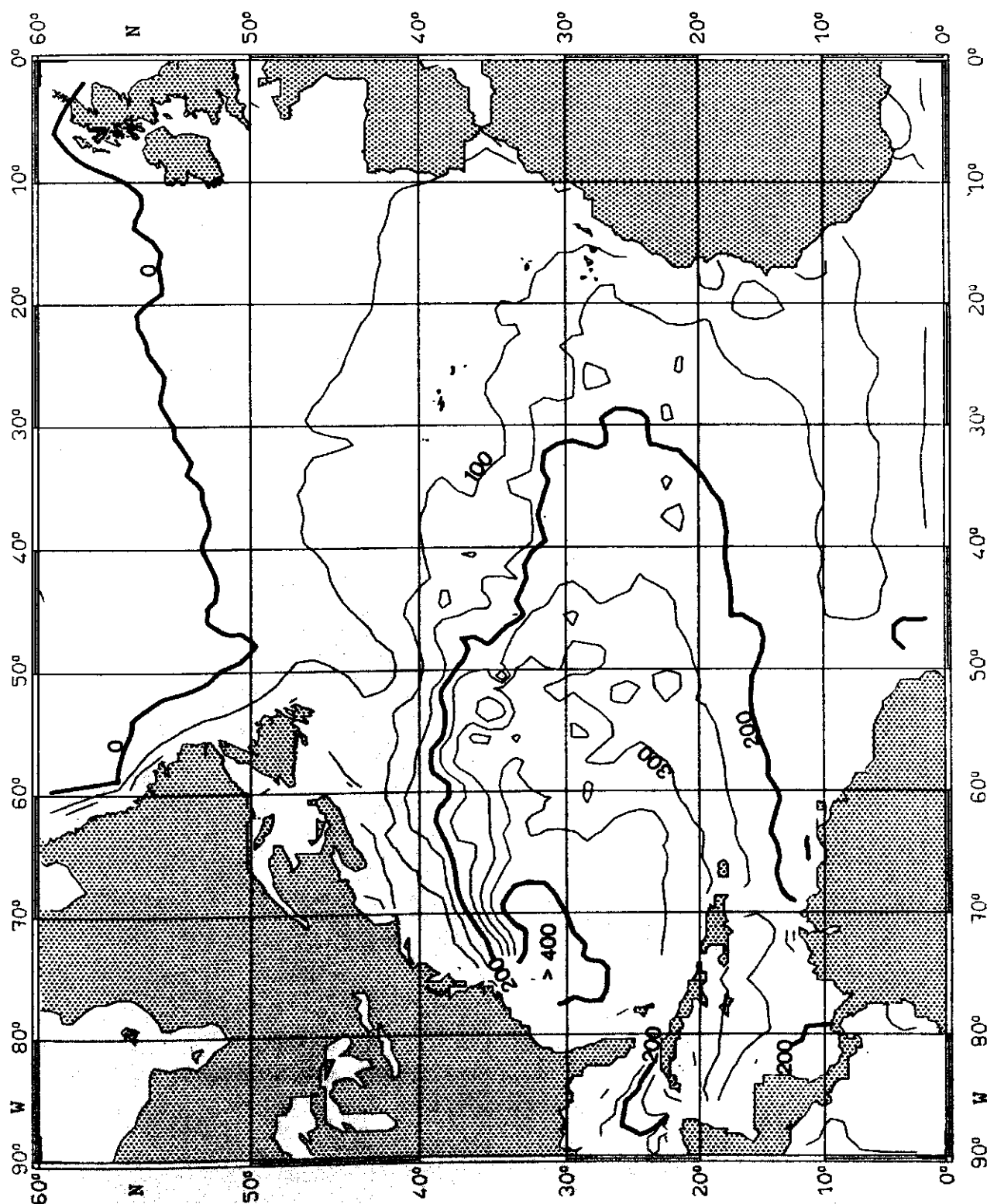


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TEMPERATURE ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ) on  $\sigma_{\theta} = 26.5 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$

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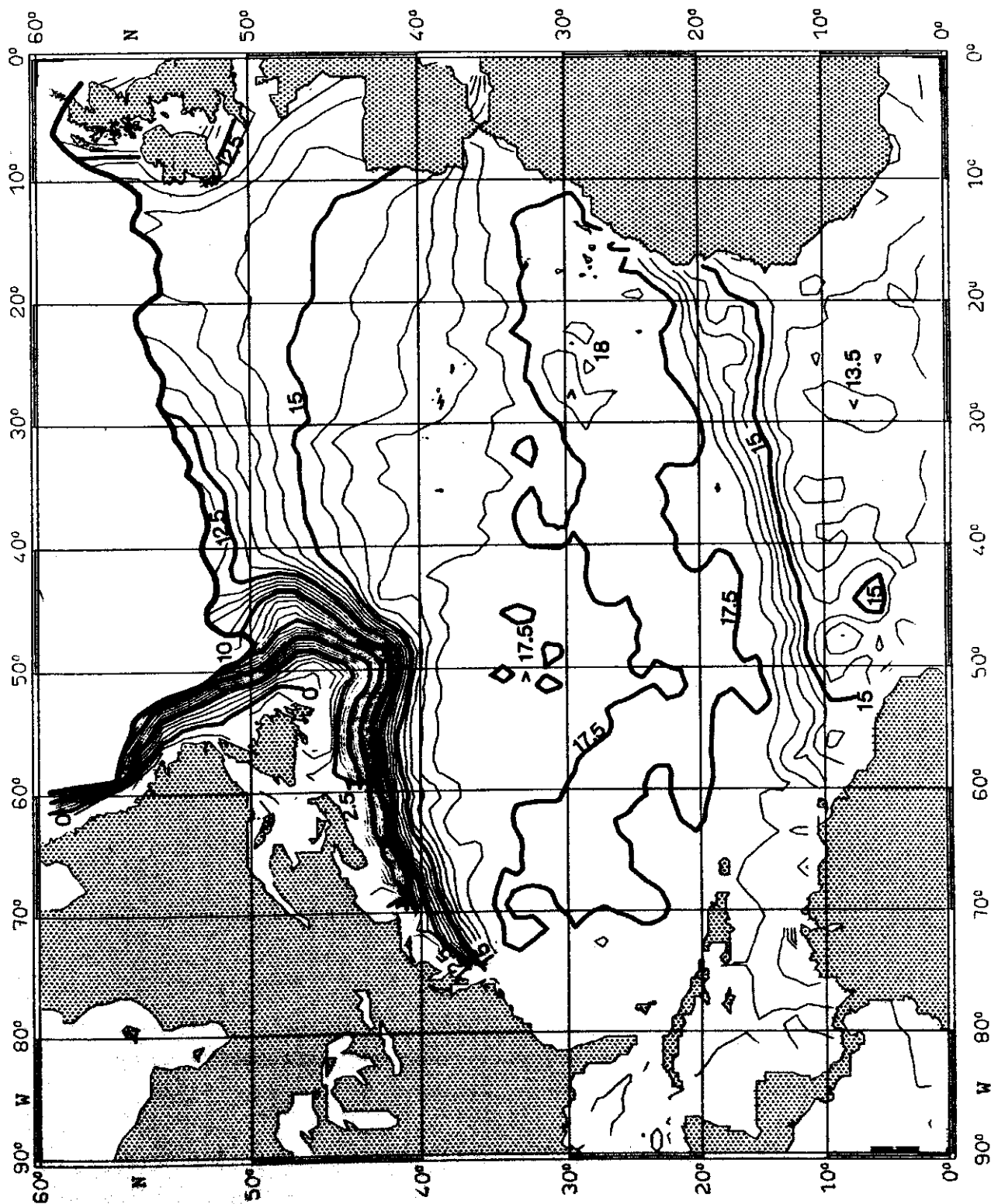


Fig. 81:

SALINITY ( $10^{-3}$ ) on  $\sigma_\theta = 26.5 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$  JULY

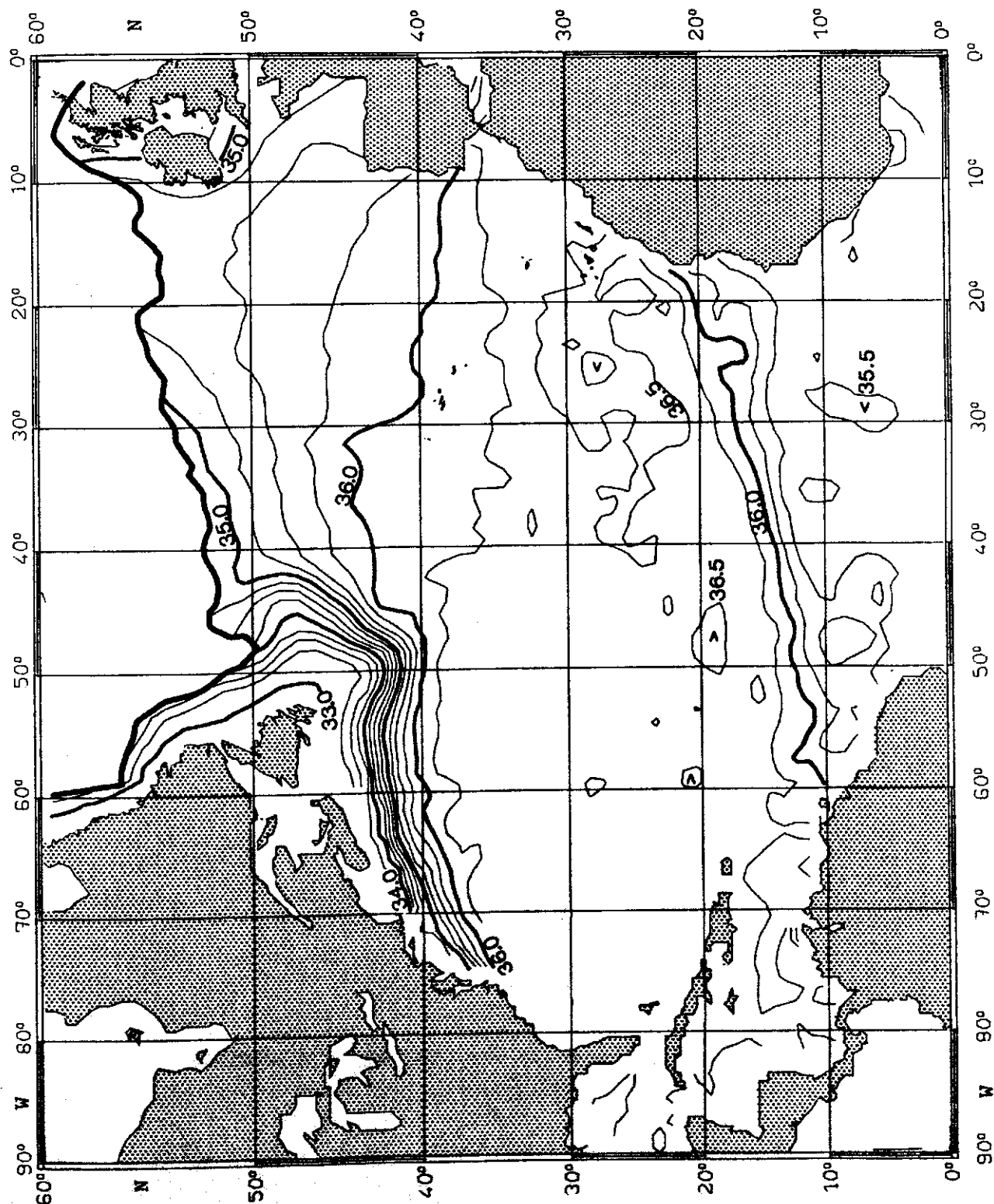


Fig. 82:

PRESSURE ( $10^4$  Pa) on  $\sigma_\theta = 27.0 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$

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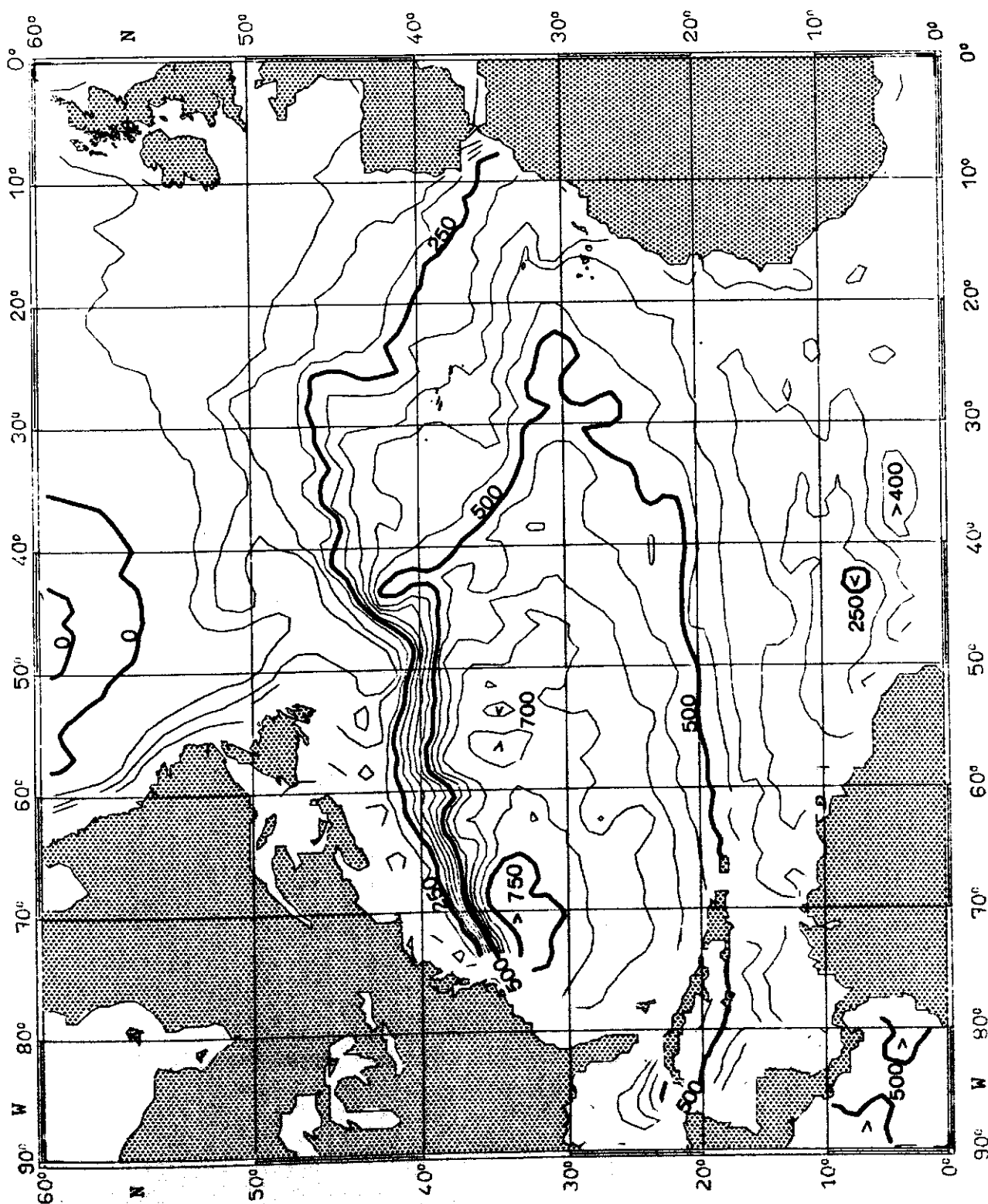


Fig. 83:

TEMPERATURE ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ) on  $\sigma_{\theta} = 27.0 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$  JULY

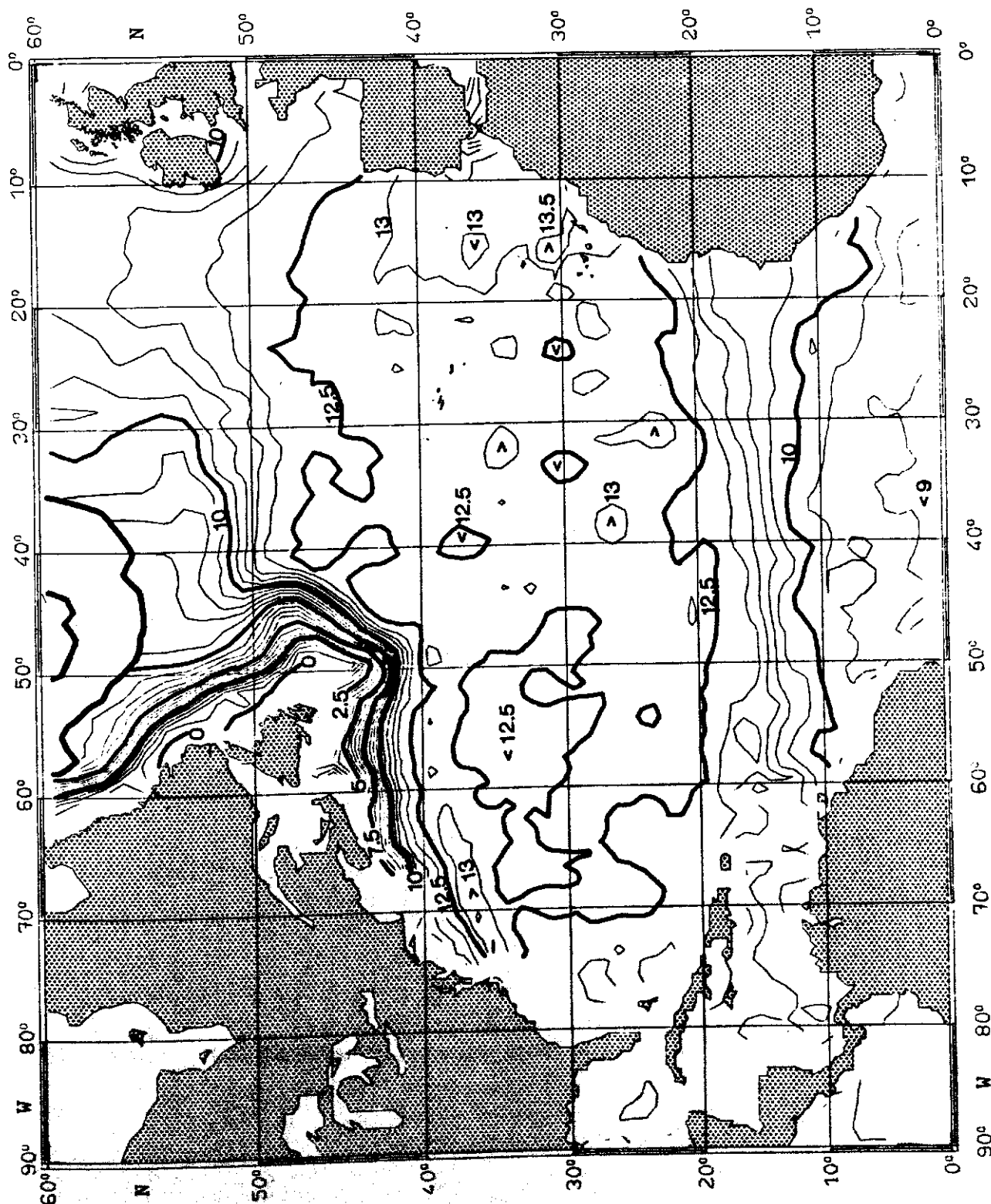


Fig. 84:

SALINITY ( $10^{-3}$ ) on  $\sigma_{\theta} = 27.0 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$  JULY

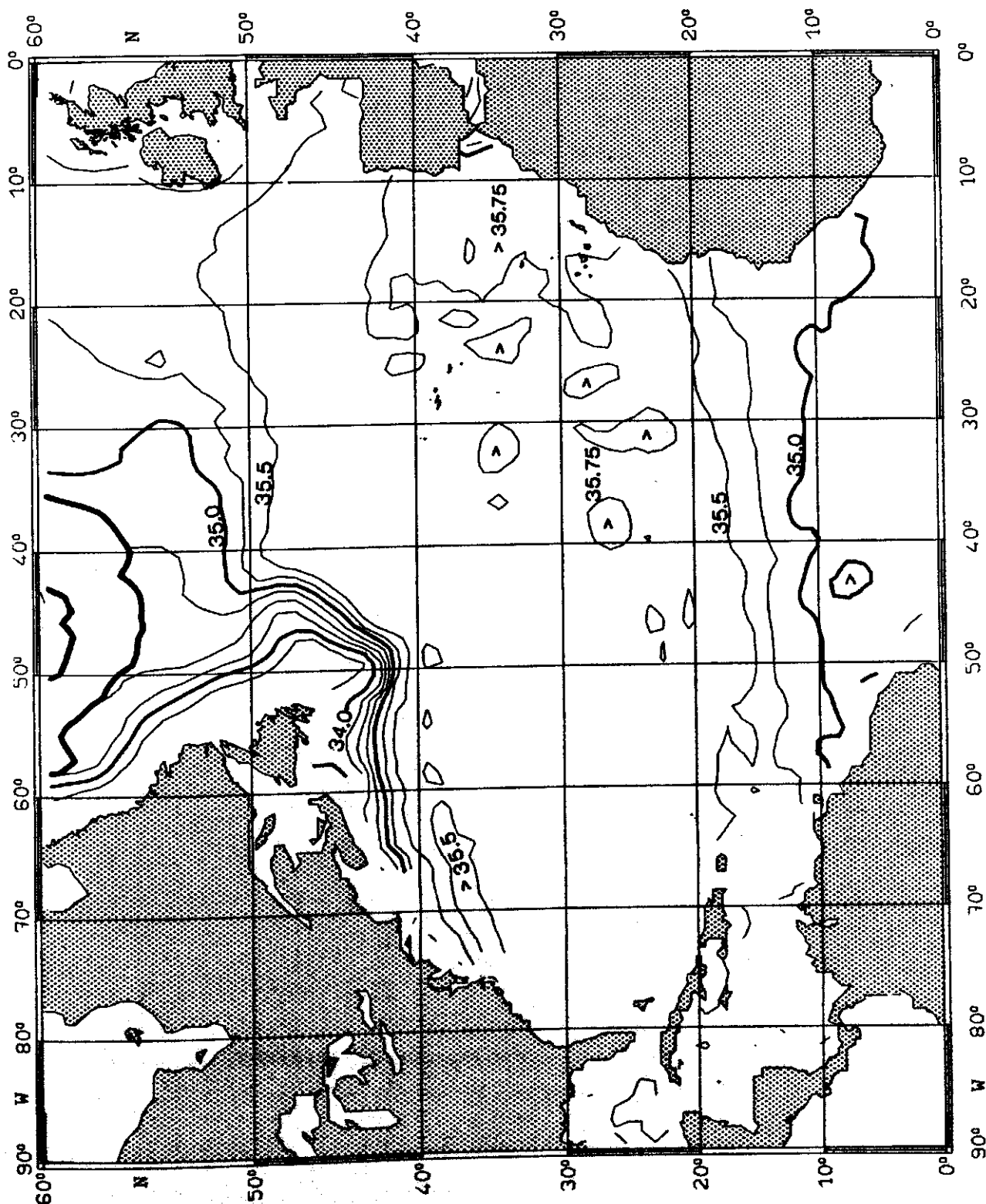


Fig. 85:

PRESSURE ( $10^4$  Pa) on  $\sigma_\theta = 25.0 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$

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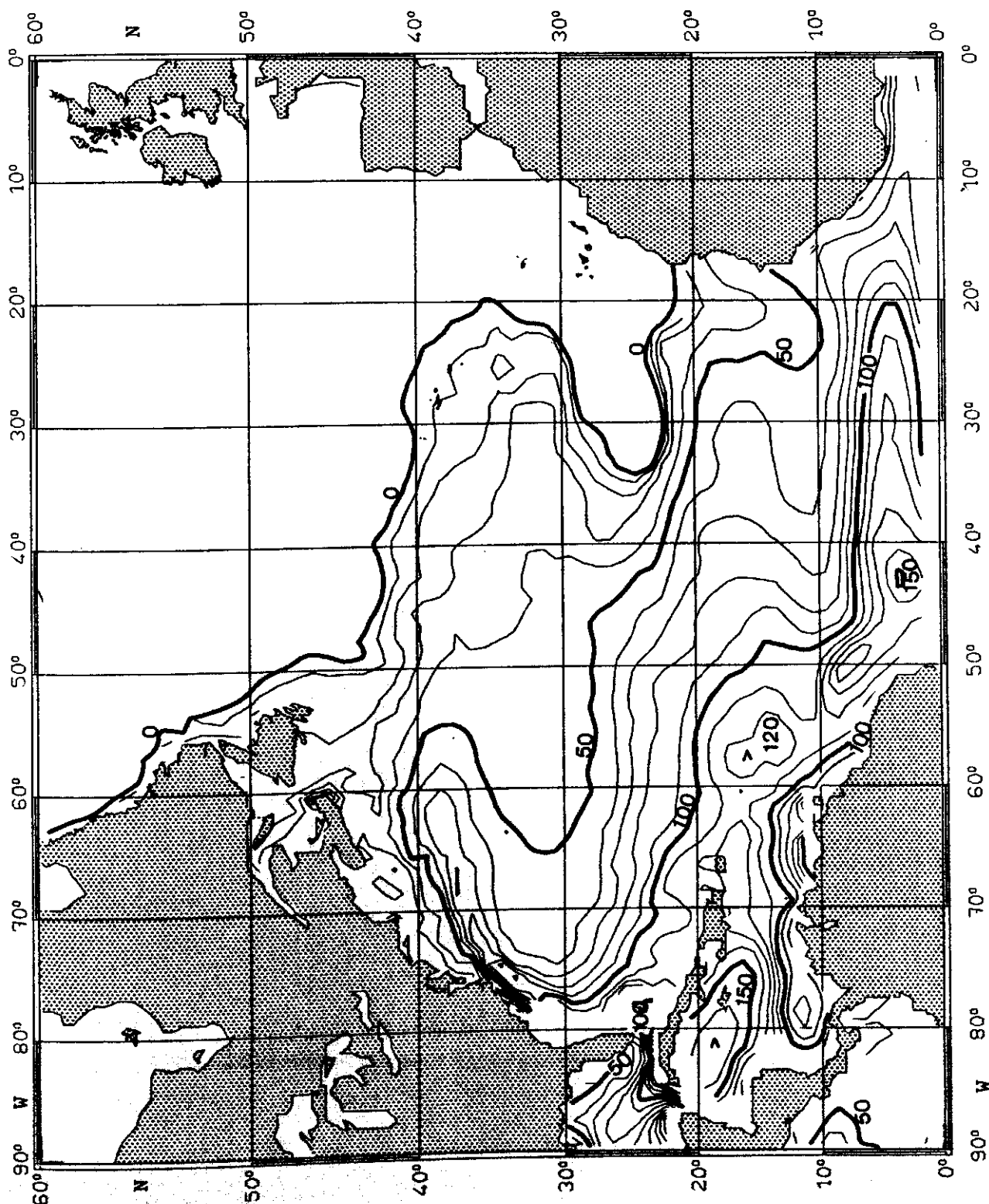




Fig. 86:

TEMPERATURE ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ) on  $\sigma_{\theta} = 25.0 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$  AUGUST

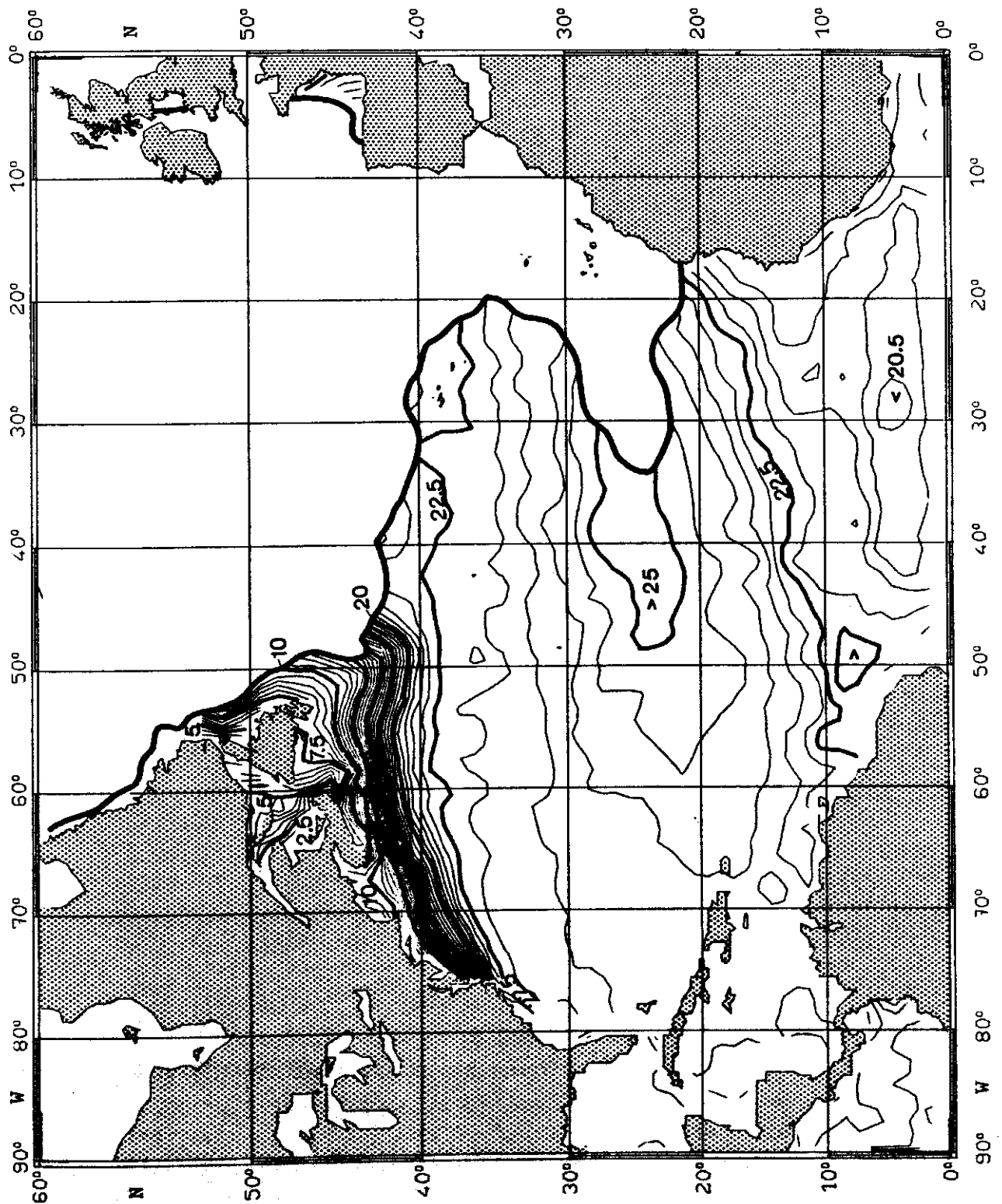


Fig. 87:

SALINITY ( $10^{-3}$ ) on  $\sigma_{\theta} = 25.0 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$

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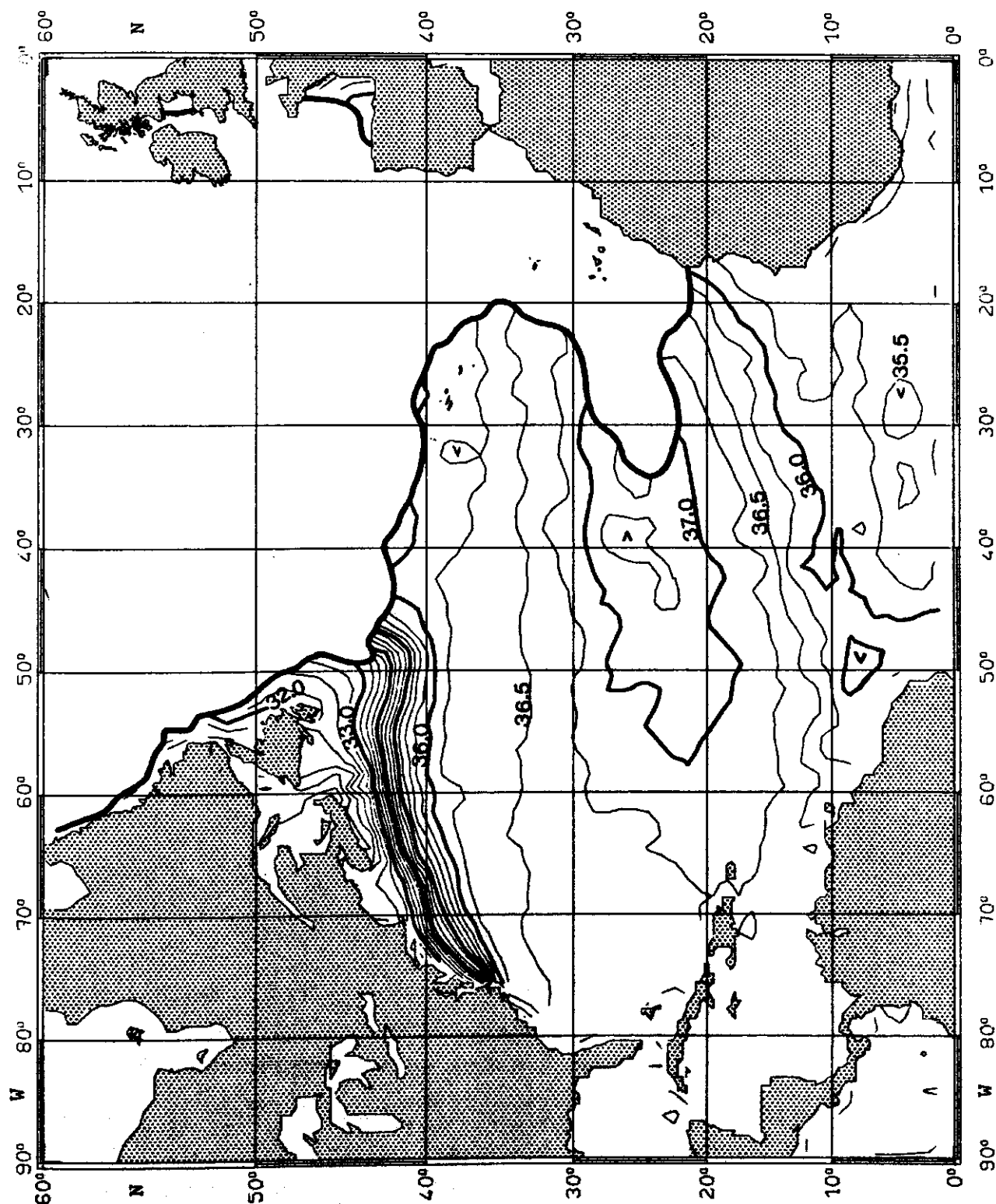


Fig. 88:

PRESSURE ( $10^4$  Pa) on  $\sigma_\theta = 25.5 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$

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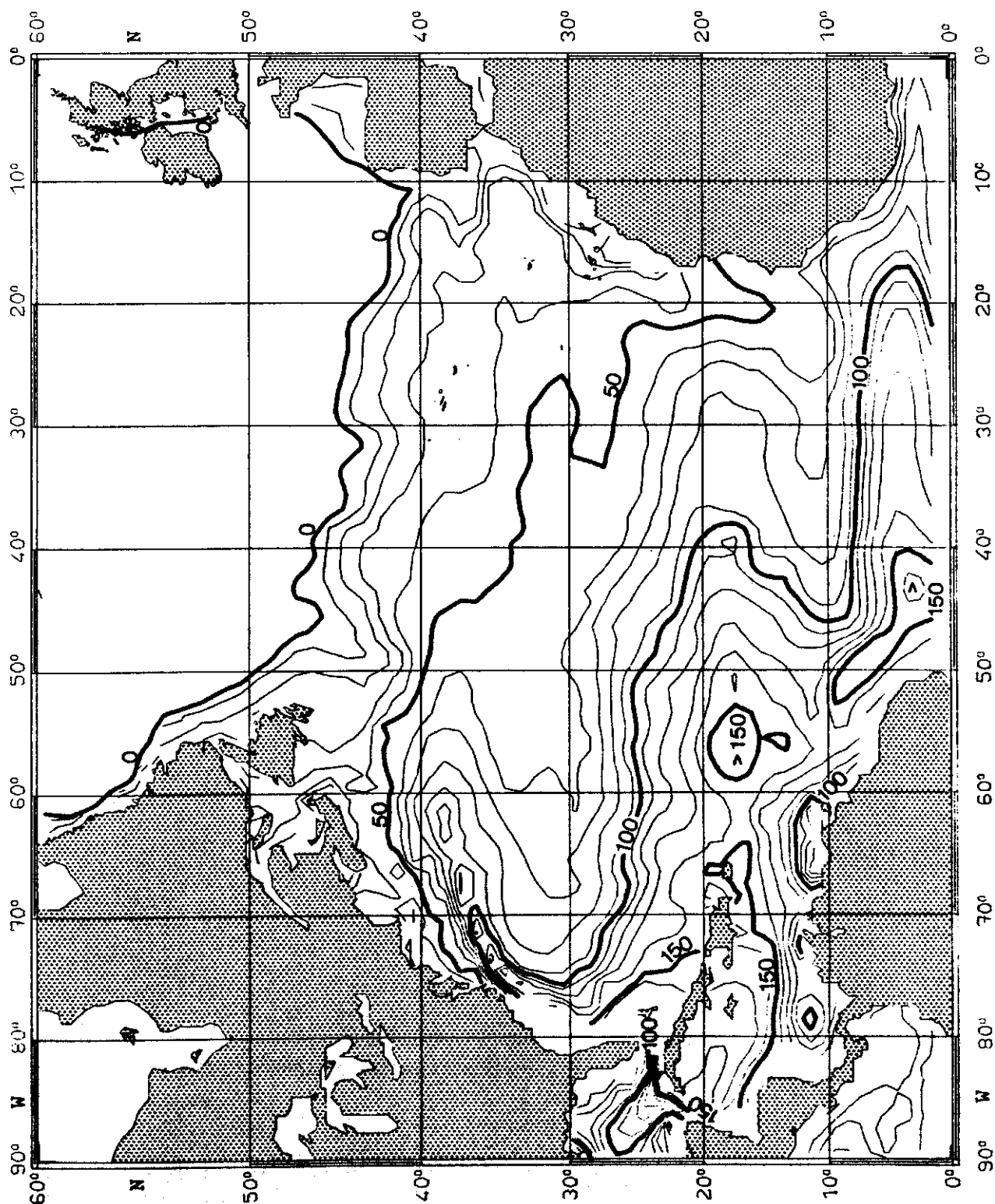


Fig. 89:

TEMPERATURE (°C) on  $\sigma_\theta = 25.5 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$

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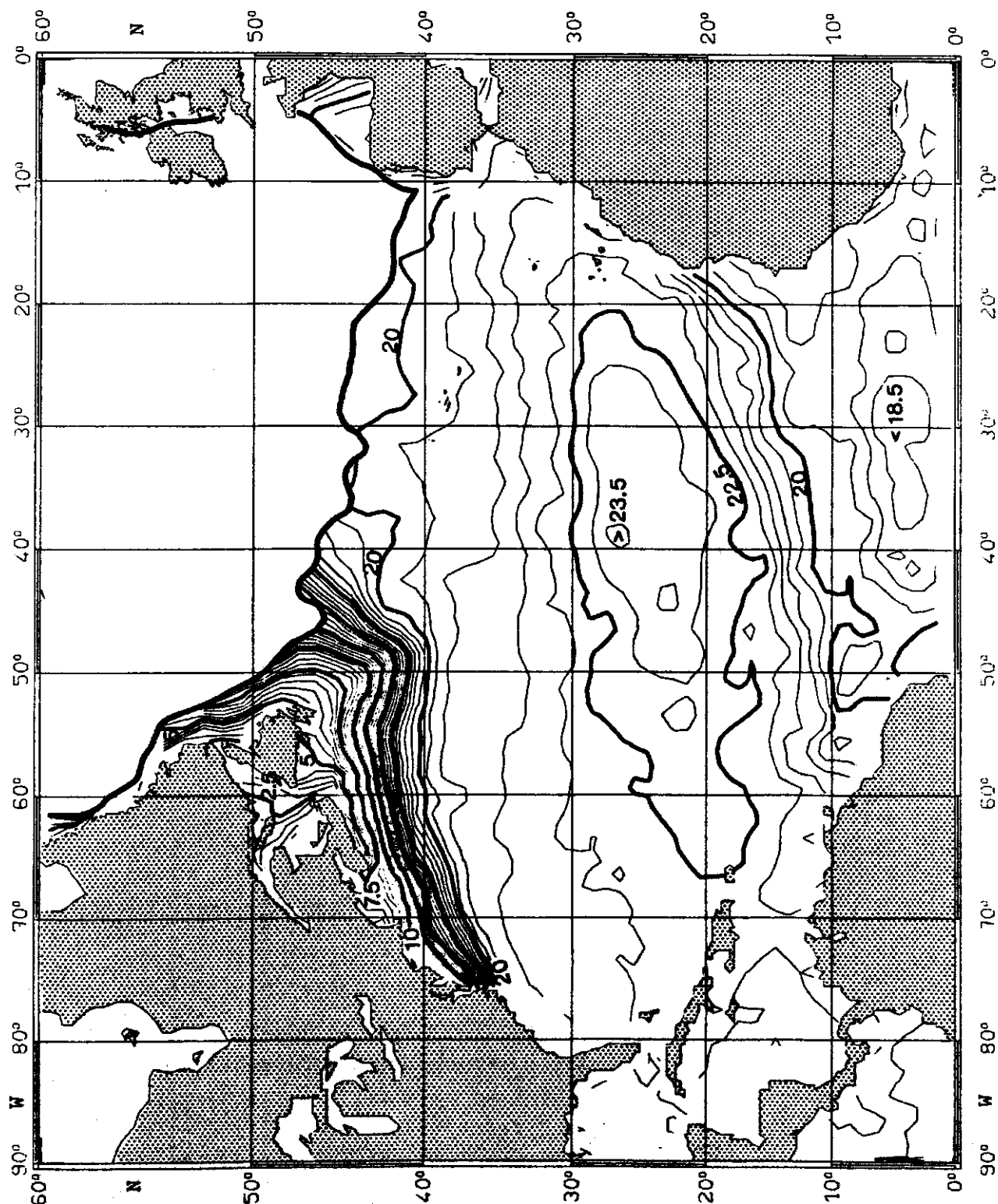


Fig. 90:

SALINITY ( $10^{-3}$ ) on  $\sigma_\theta = 25.5 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$

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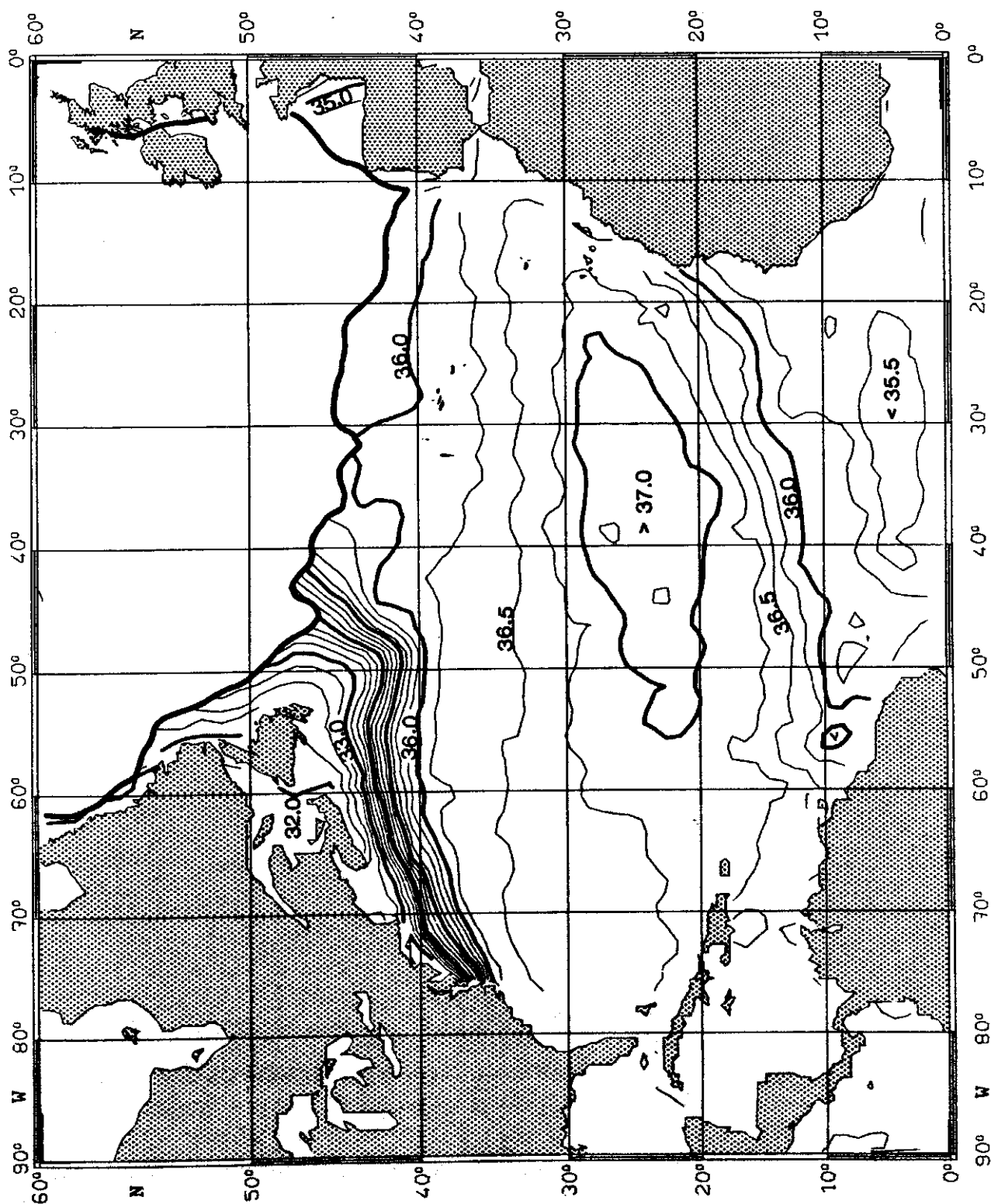


Fig. 91:

PRESSURE ( $10^4$  Pa) on  $\sigma_\theta = 26.0 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$

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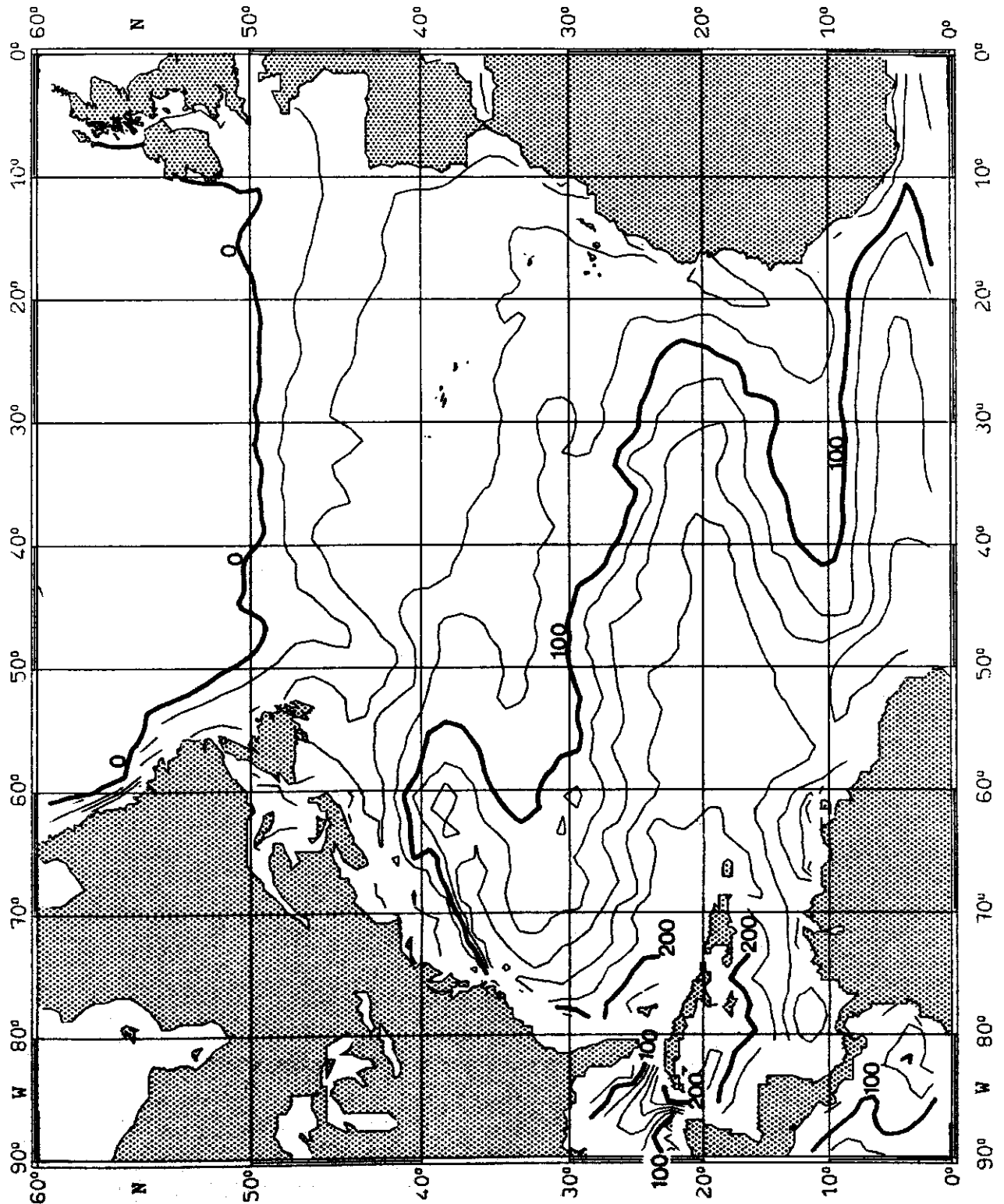


Fig. 92:

TEMPERATURE ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ) on  $\sigma_{\theta} = 26.0 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$

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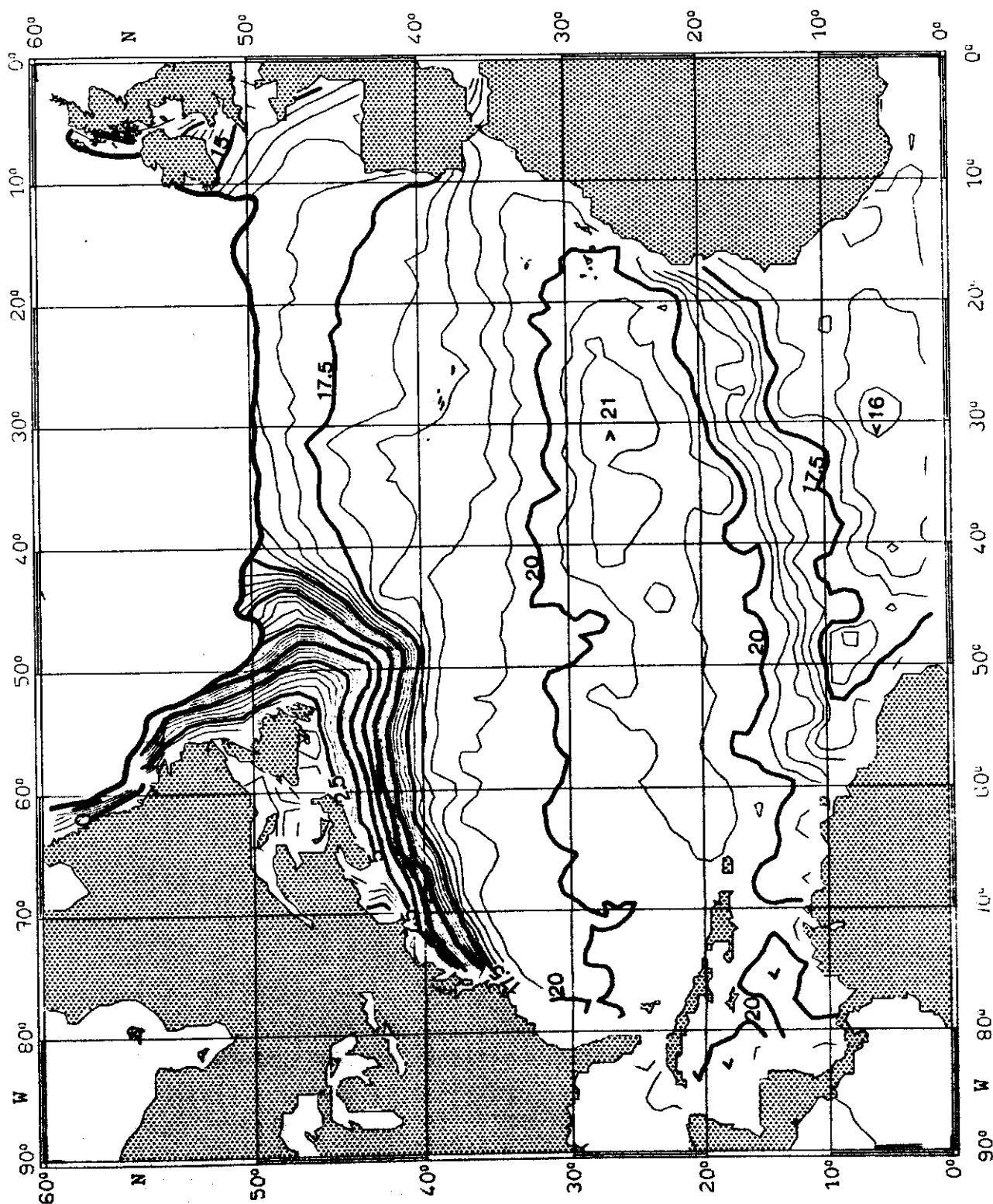


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SALINITY ( $10^{-3}$ ) on  $\sigma_{\theta} = 26.0 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$

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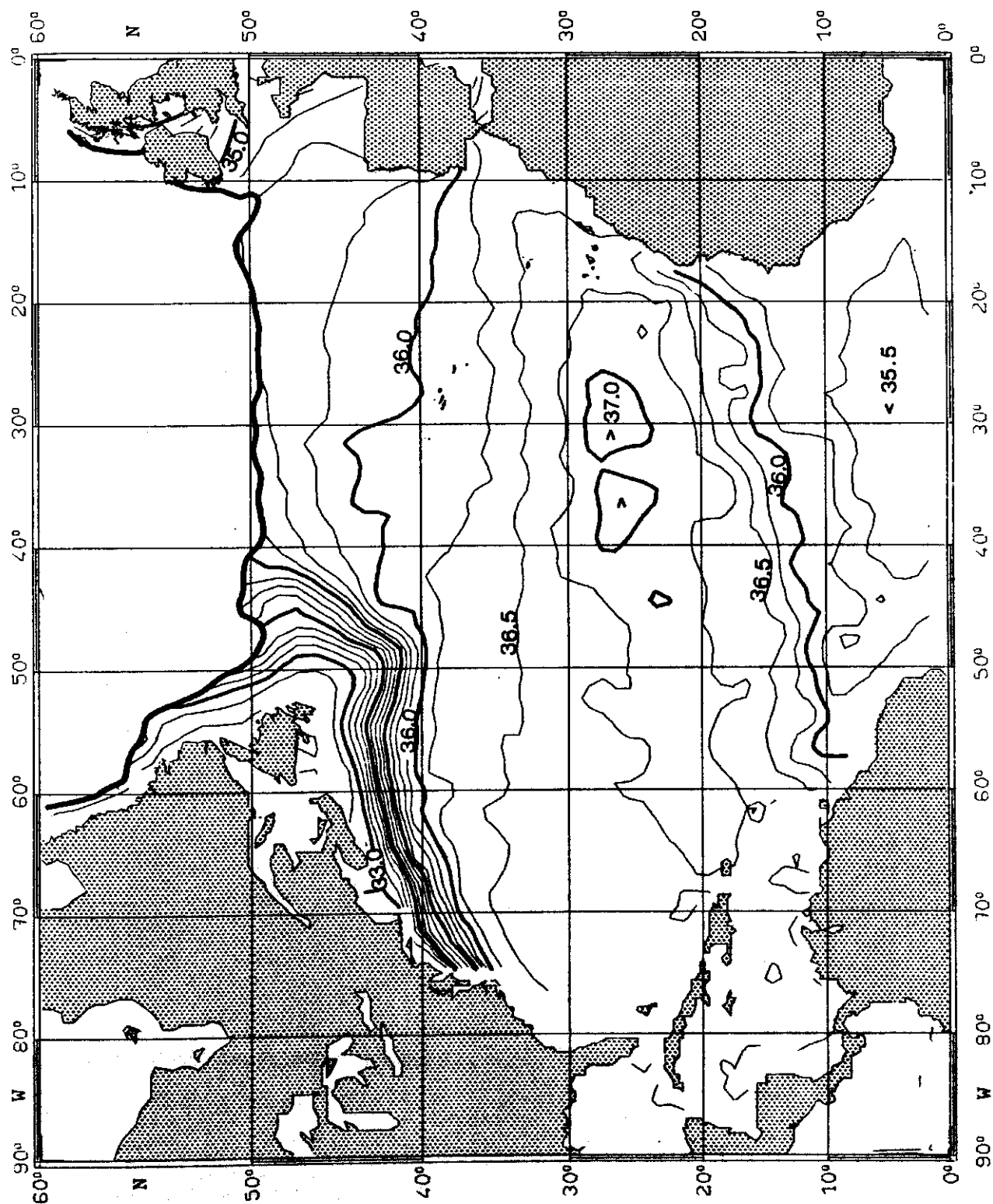




Fig. 94:

PRESSURE ( $10^4$  Pa) on  $\sigma_\theta = 26.5 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$

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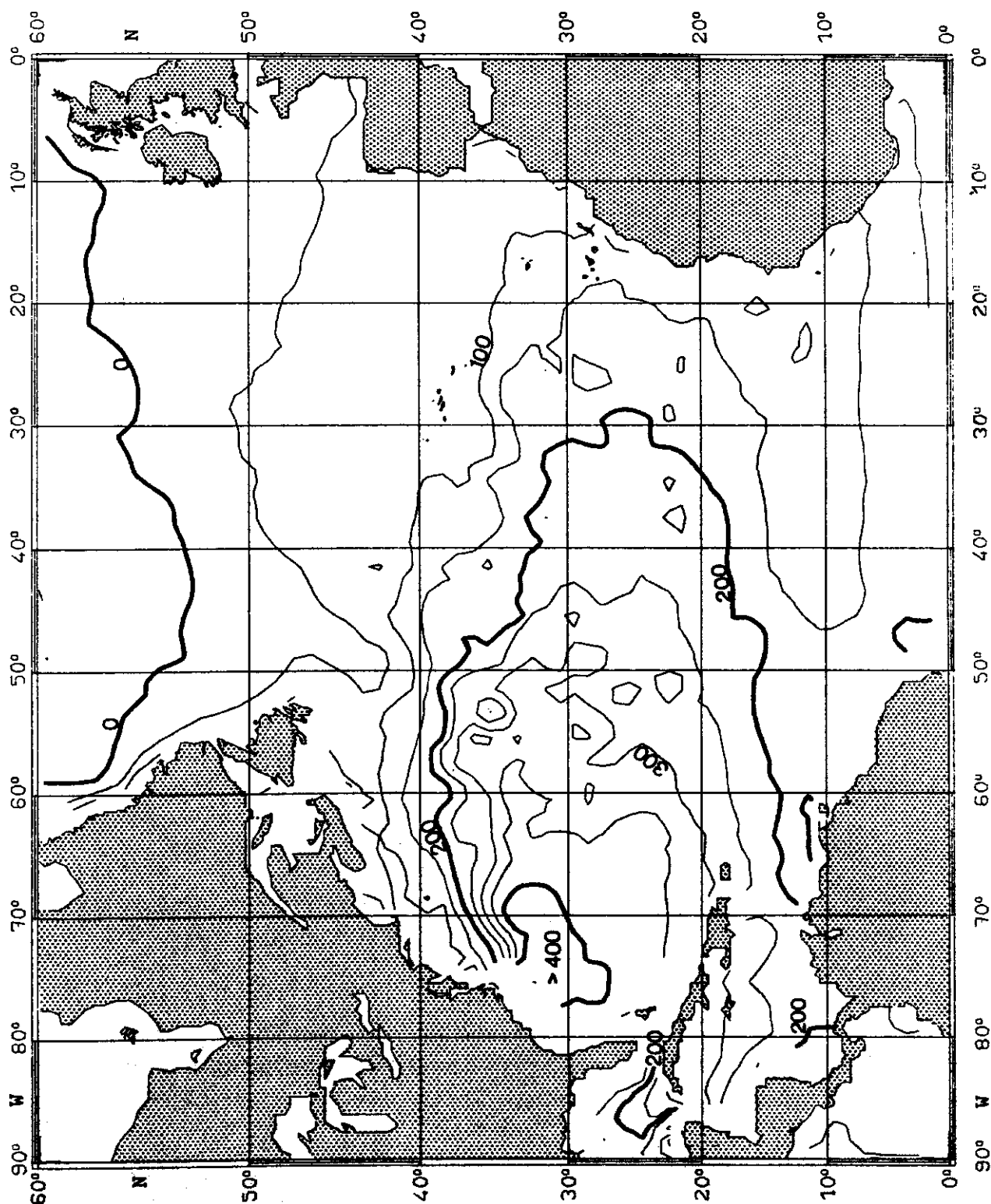


Fig. 95:

TEMPERATURE ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ) on  $\sigma_{\theta} = 26.5 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$  AUGUST

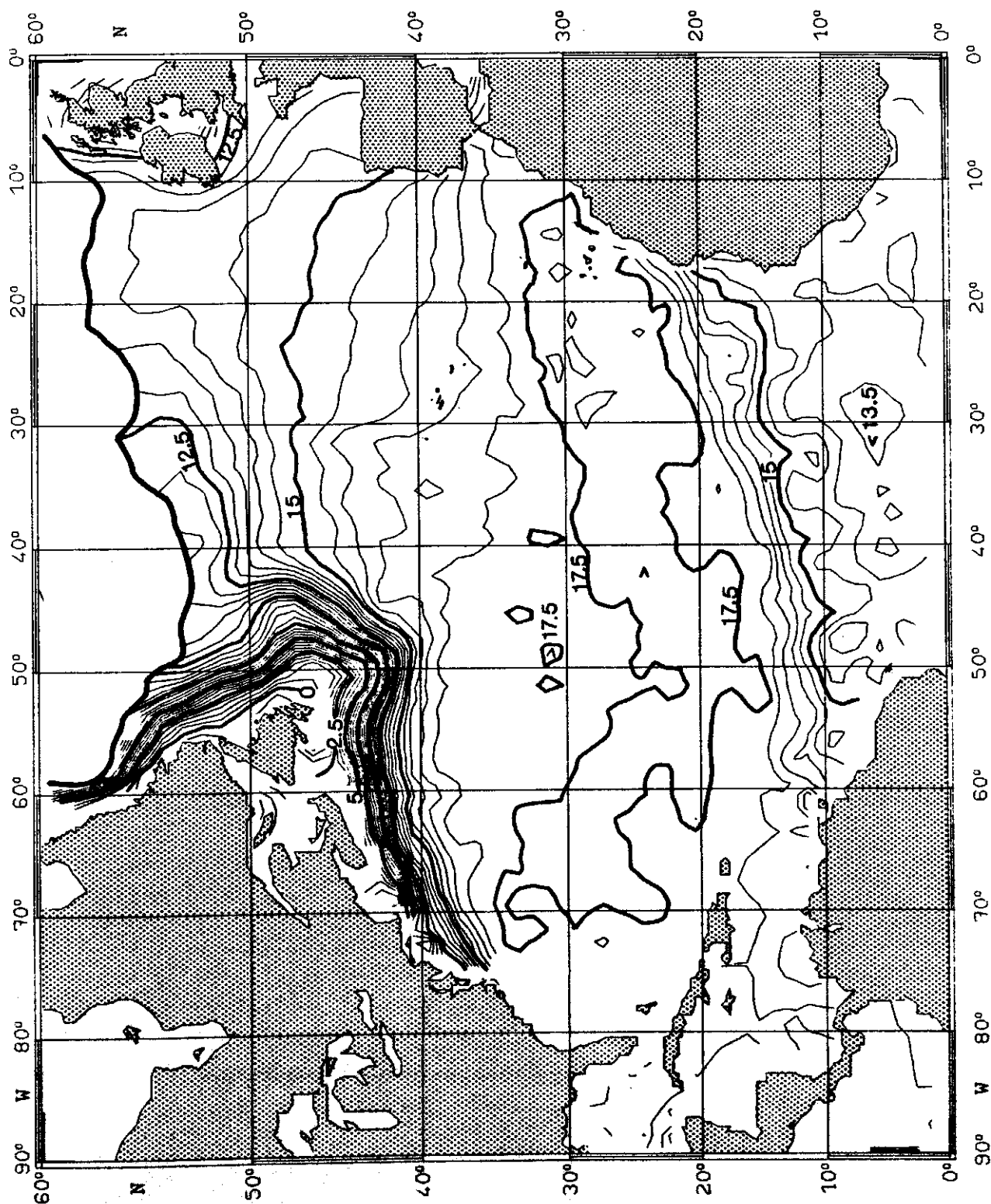


Fig. 96:

SALINITY ( $10^{-3}$ ) on  $\sigma_{\theta} = 26.5 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$

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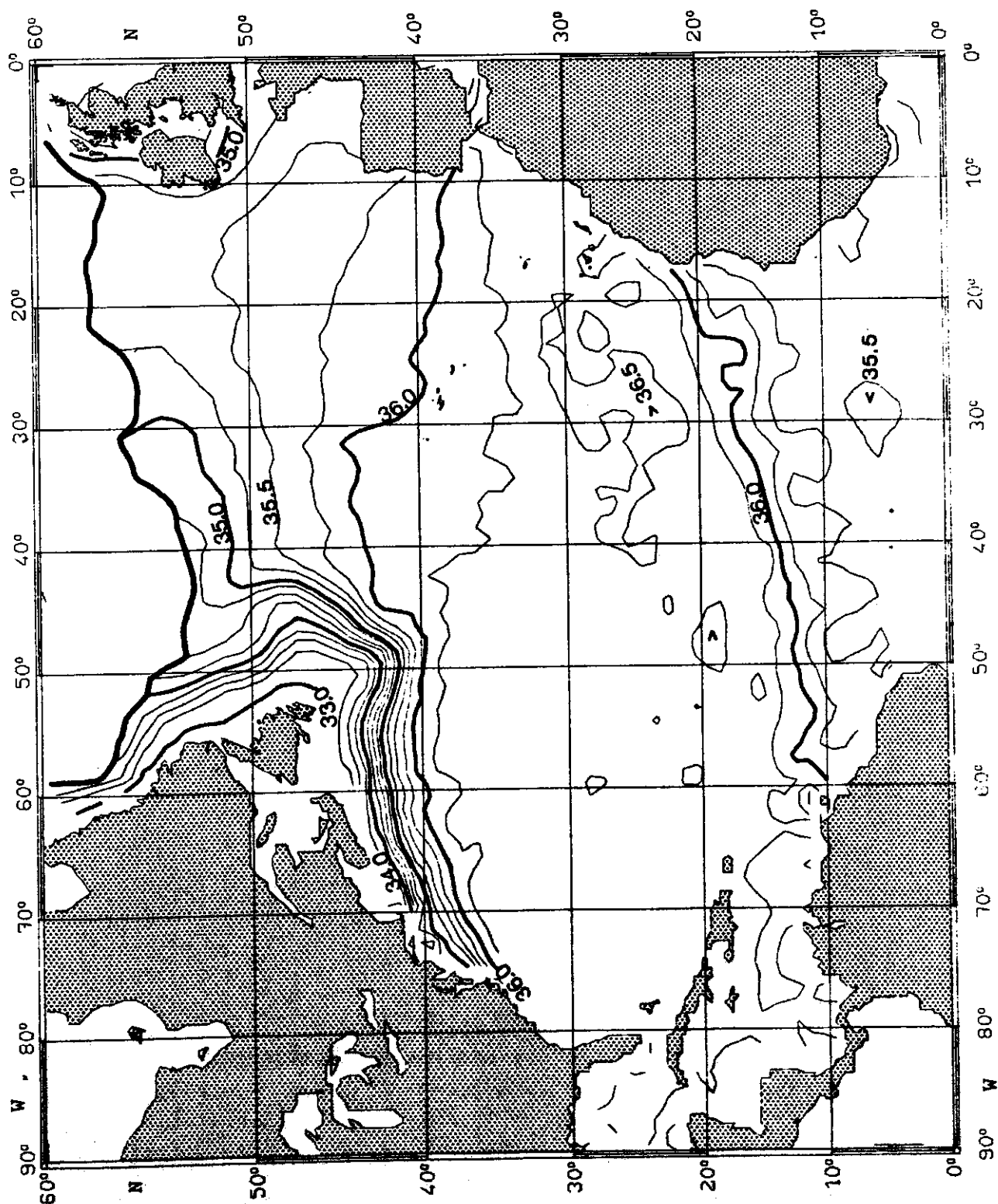


Fig. 97:

PRESSURE ( $10^4$  Pa) on  $\sigma_\theta = 27.0 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$

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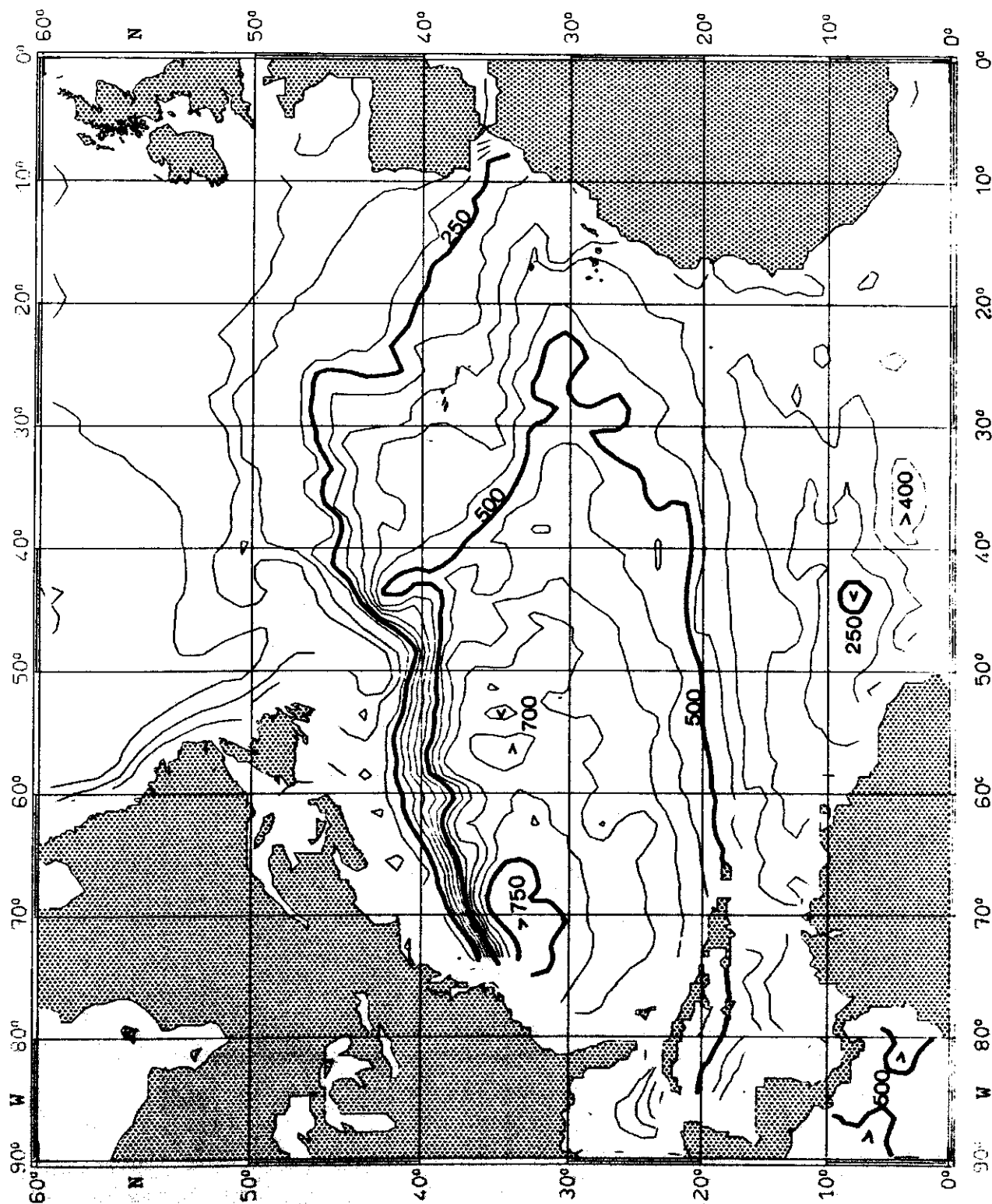


Fig. 98:

TEMPERATURE ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ) on  $\sigma_{\theta} = 27.0 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$

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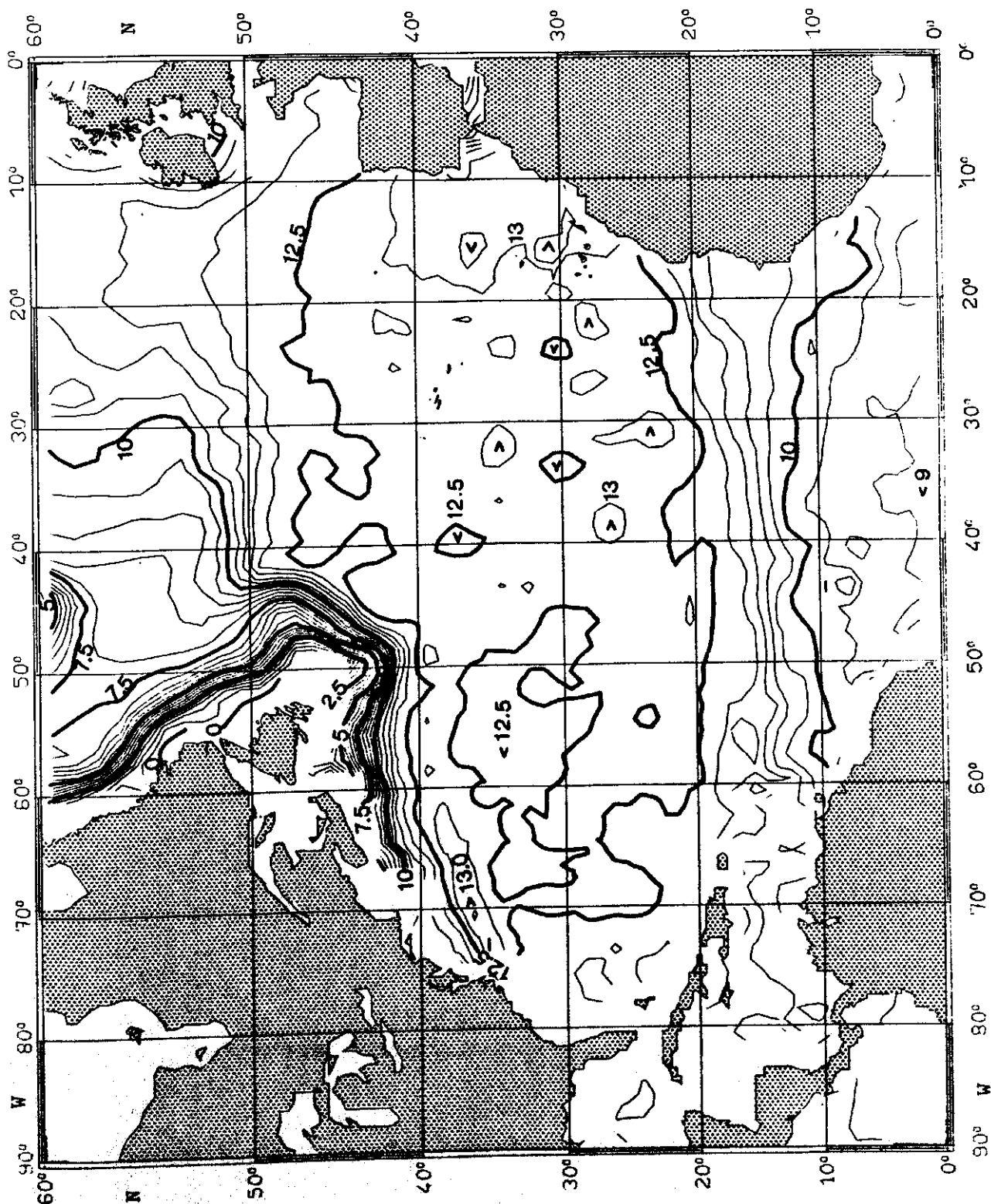


Fig. 99:

SALINITY ( $10^{-3}$ ) on  $\sigma_{\theta} = 27.0 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$

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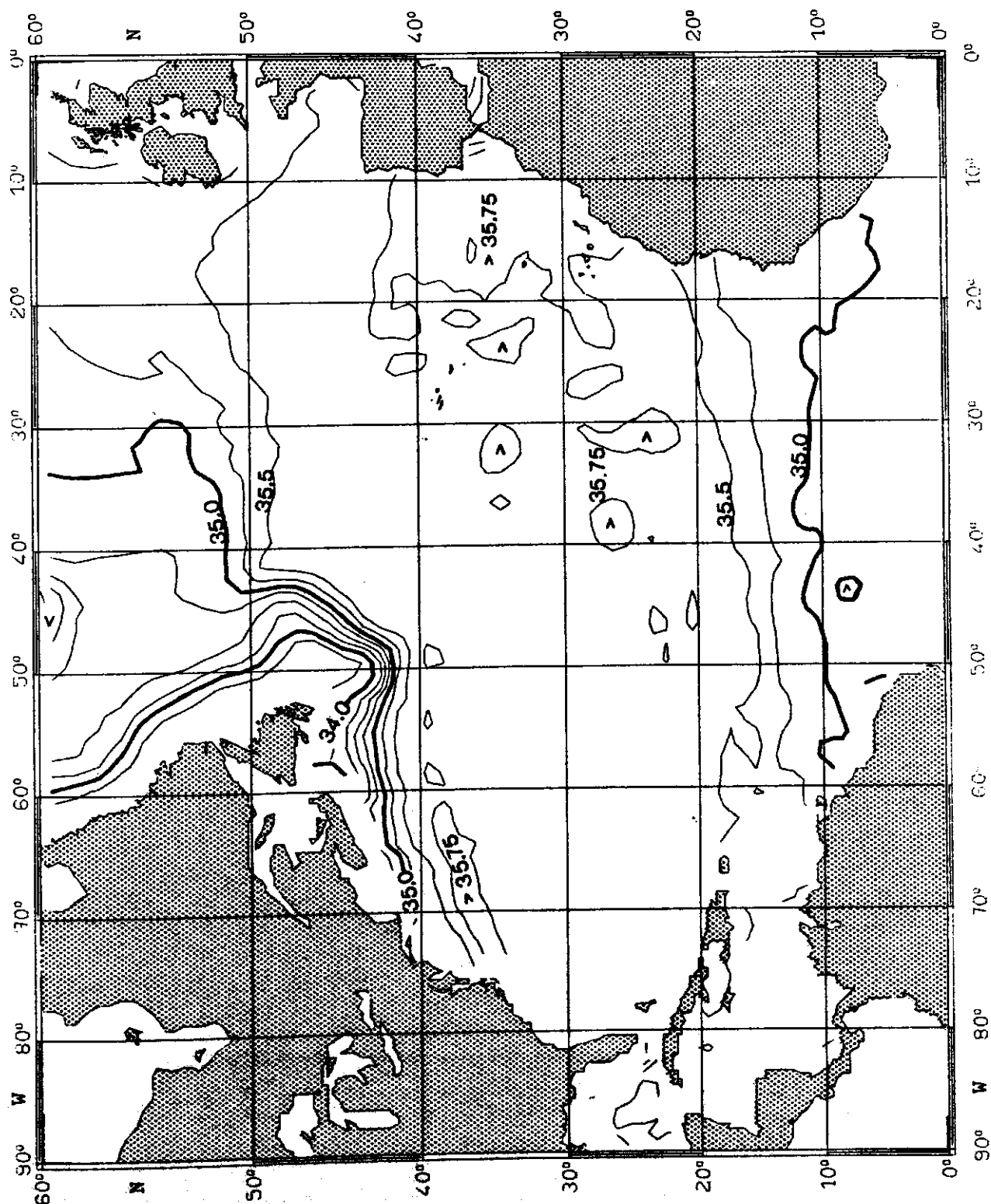


Fig. 100:

PRESSURE ( $10^4$  Pa) on  $\sigma_\theta = 25.0 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$

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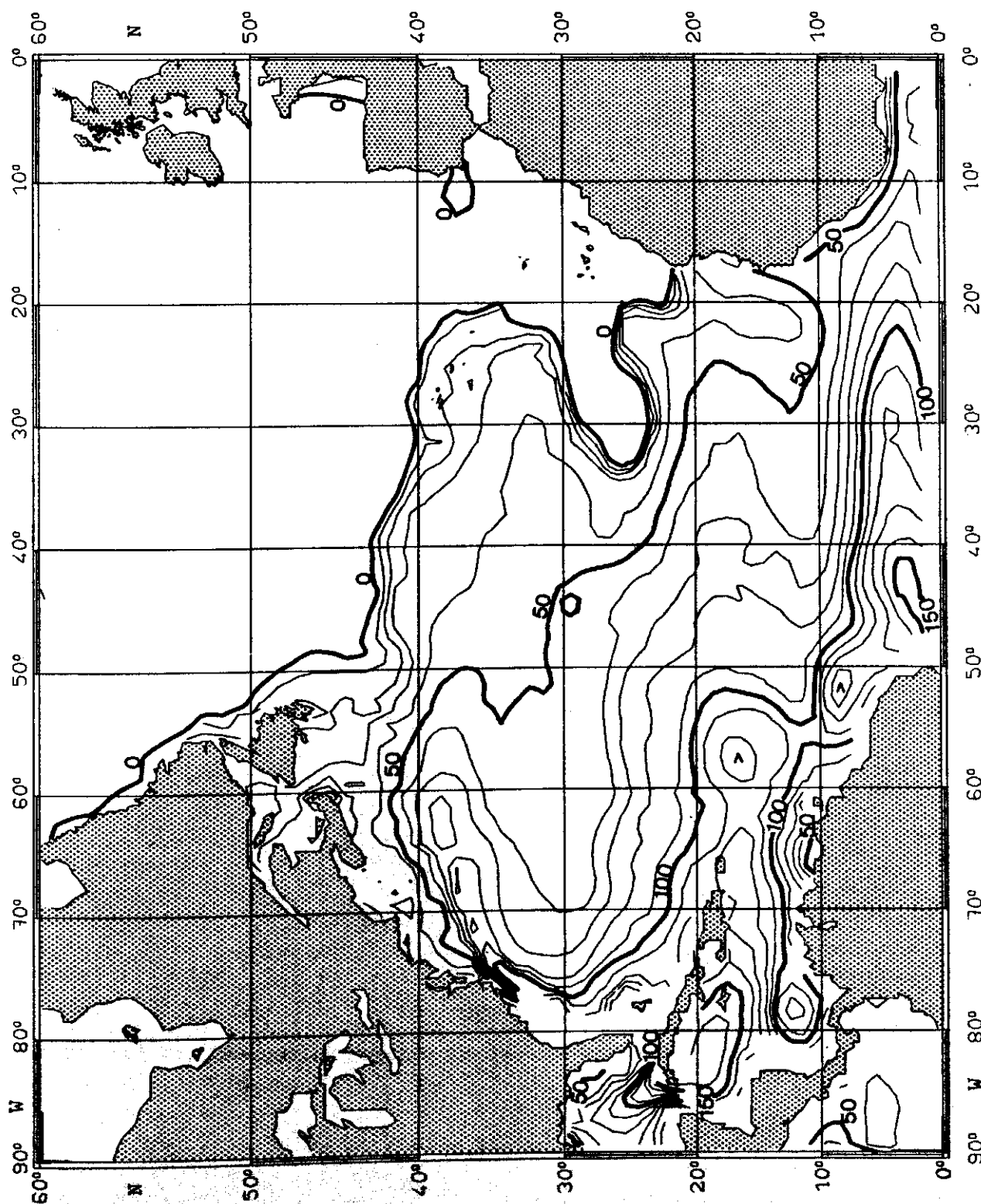


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TEMPERATURE ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ) on  $\sigma_{\theta} = 25.0 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$

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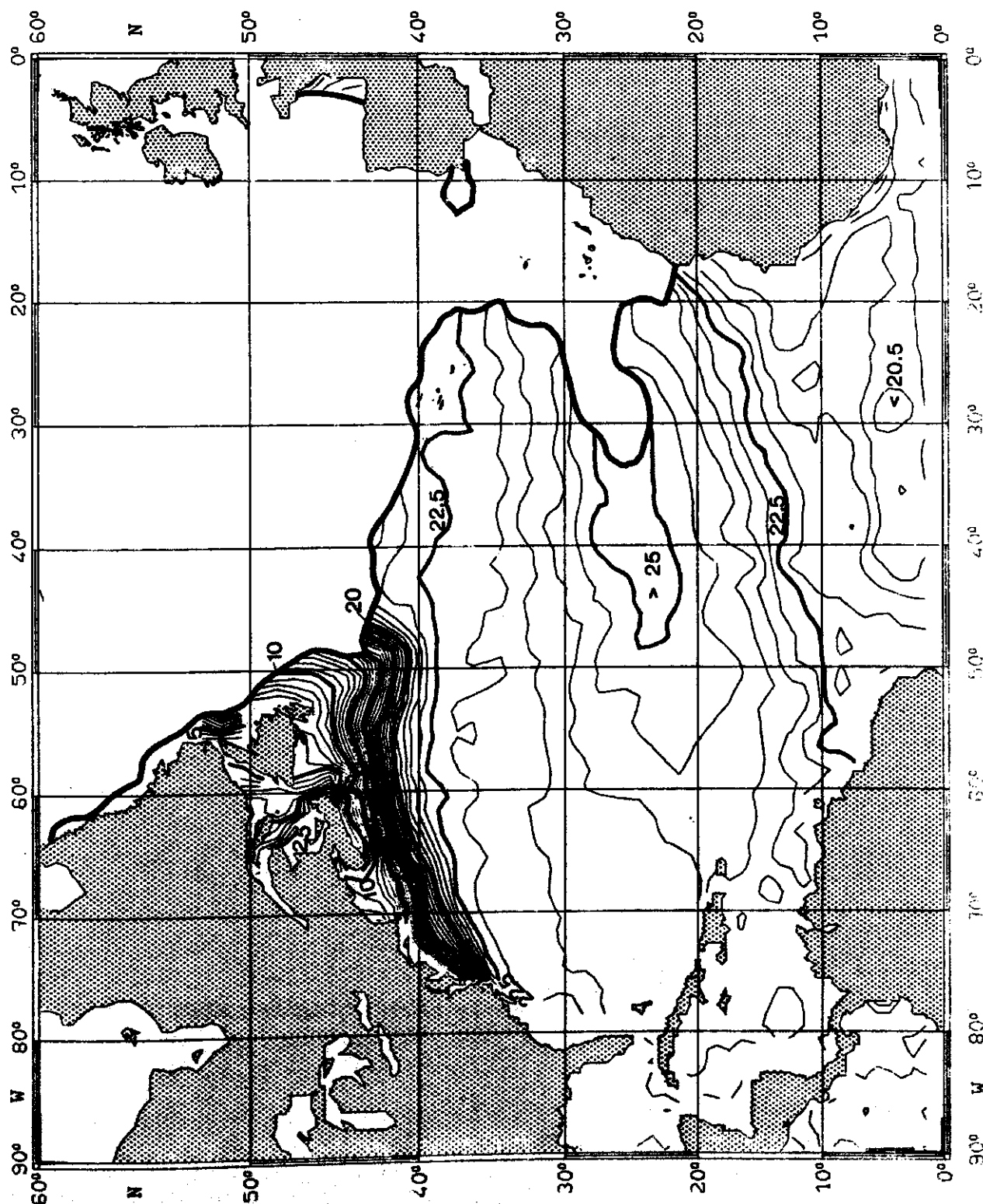




Fig. 102:

SALINITY ( $10^{-3}$ ) on  $\sigma_\theta = 25.0 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$  SEPTEMBER

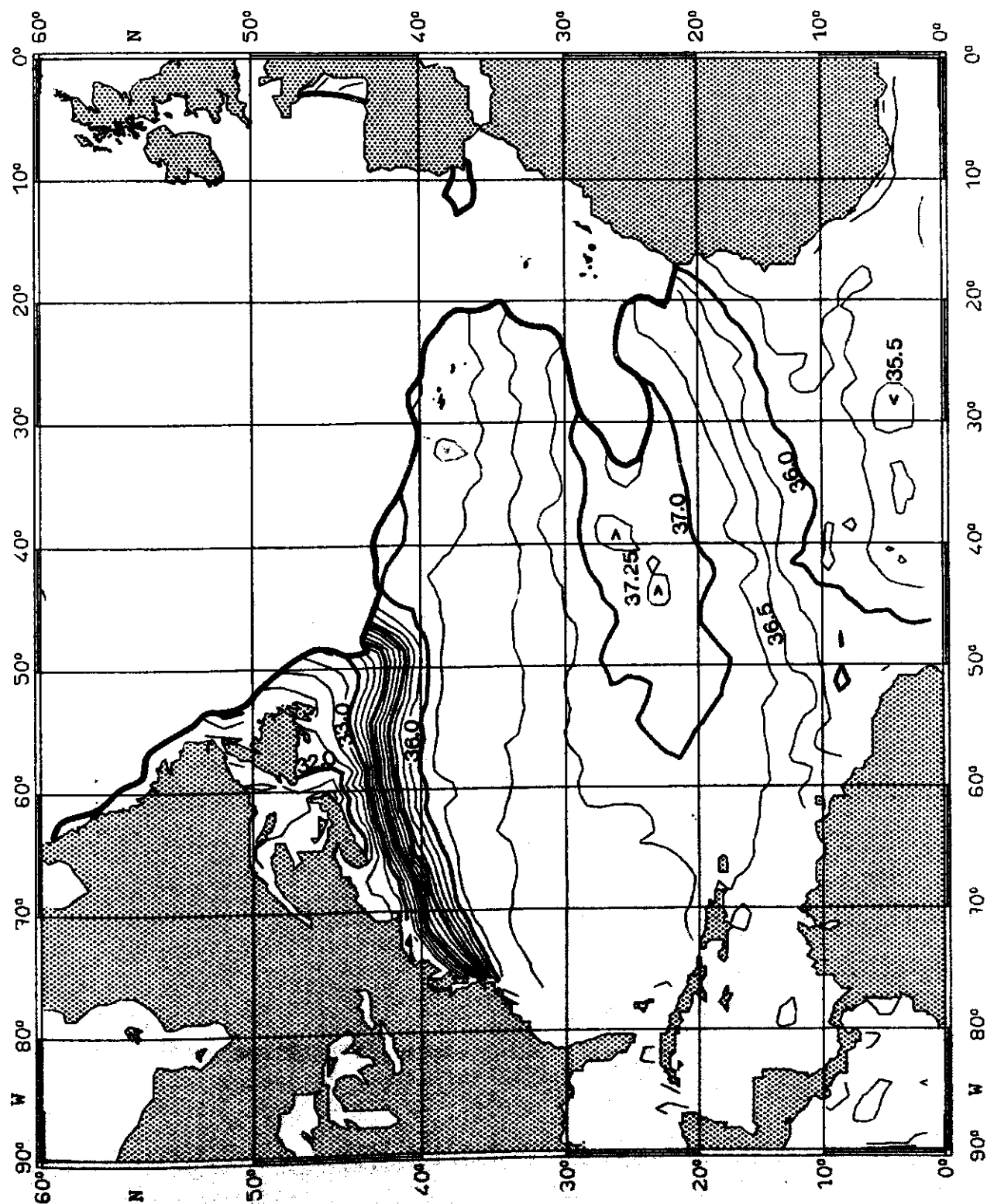


Fig. 103:

PRESSURE ( $10^4$  Pa) on  $\sigma_\theta = 26.0 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$

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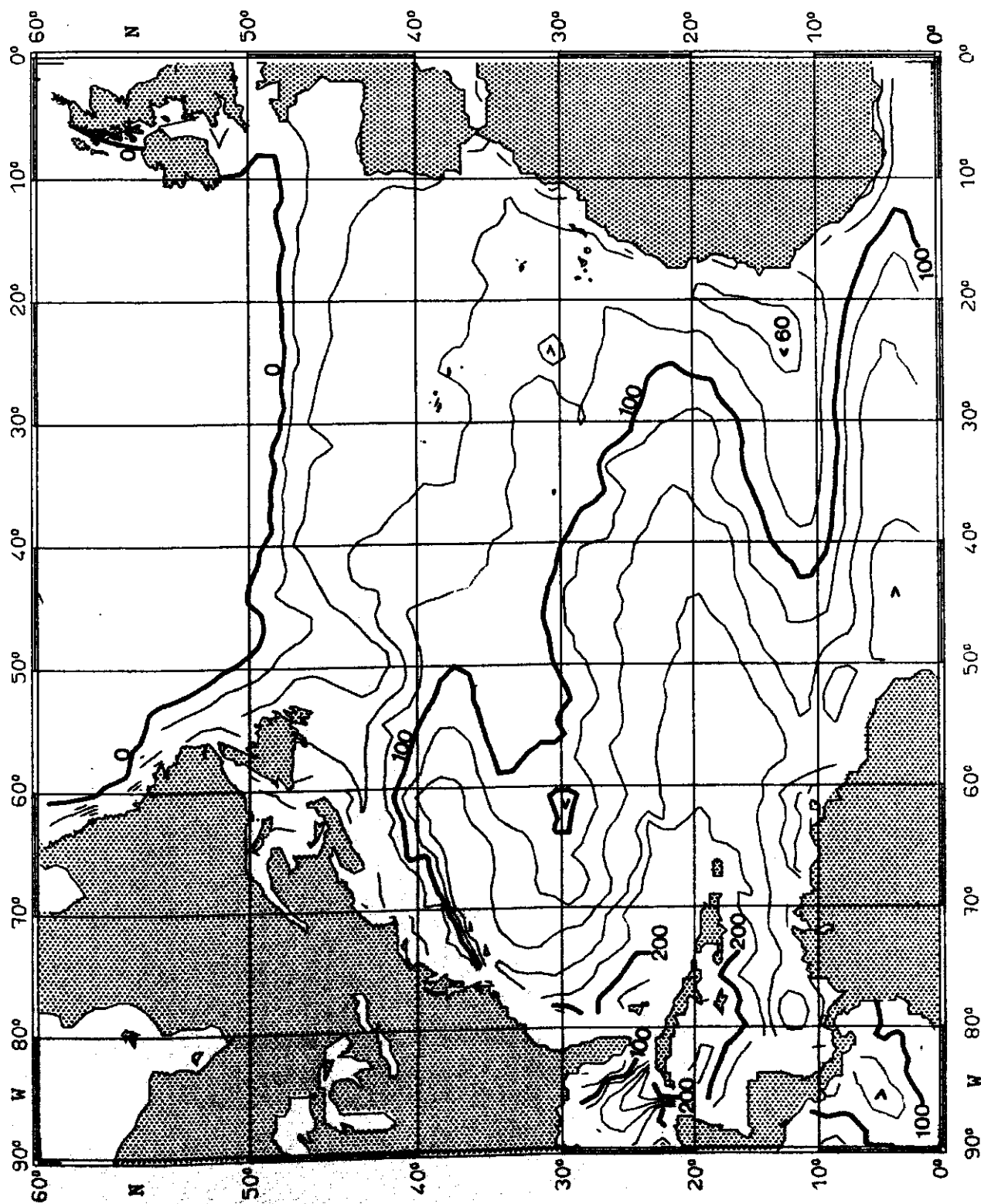


Fig. 104:

TEMPERATURE ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ) on  $\sigma_{\theta} = 26.0 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$

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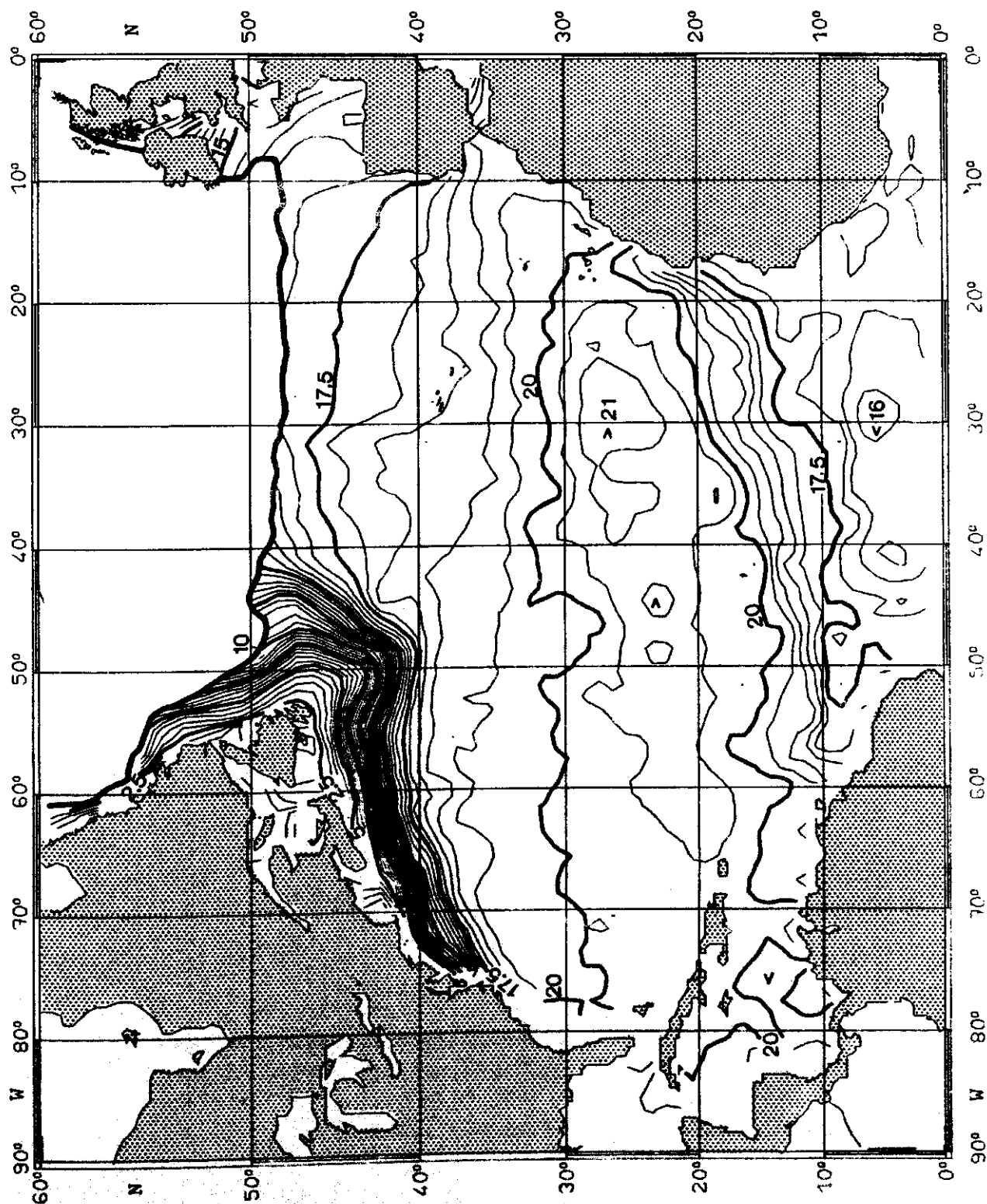


Fig. 105:

SALINITY ( $10^{-3}$ ) on  $\sigma_\theta = 26.0 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$  SEPTEMBER

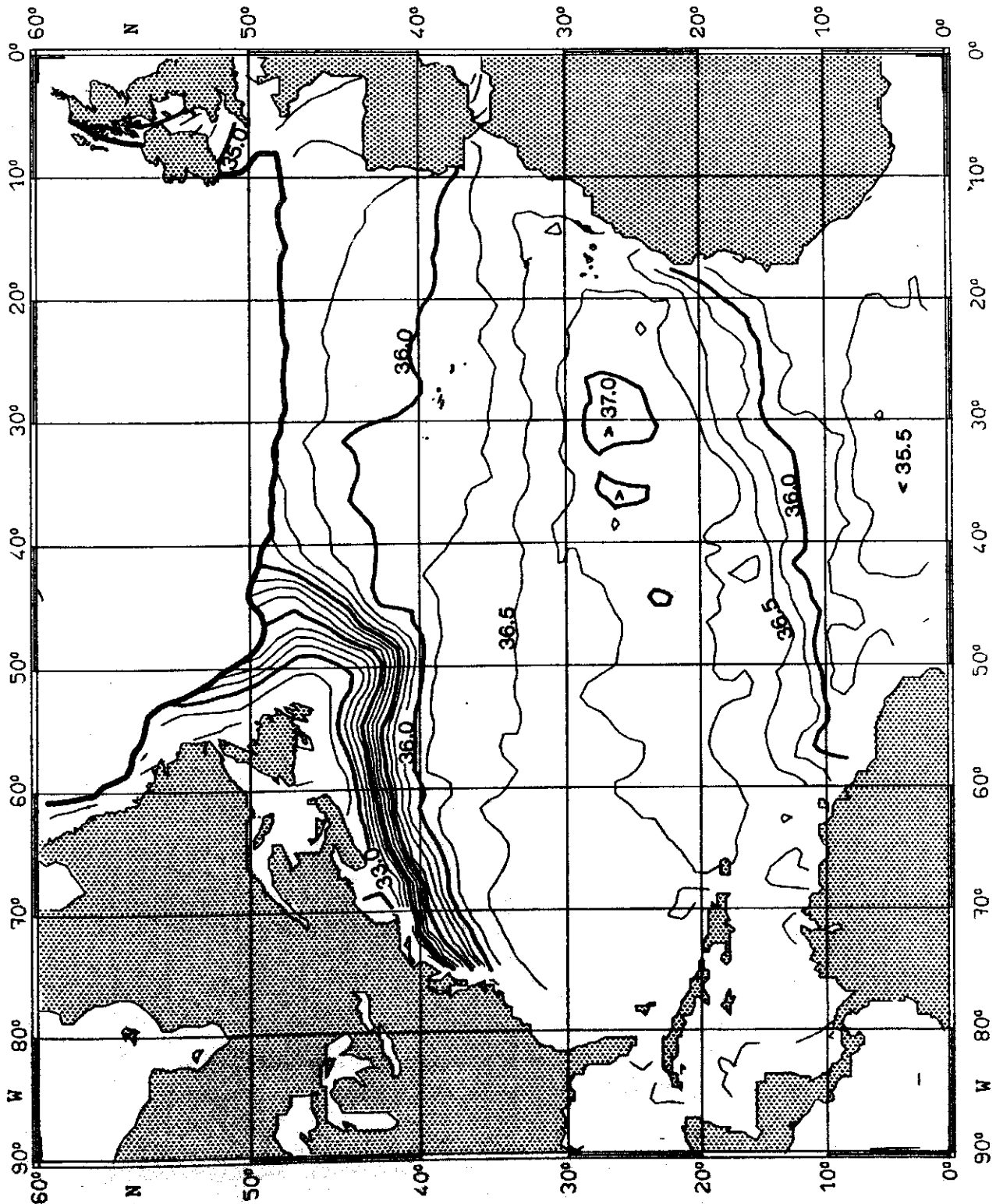


Fig. 106:

PRESSURE ( $10^4$  Pa) on  $\sigma_\theta = 27.0 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$

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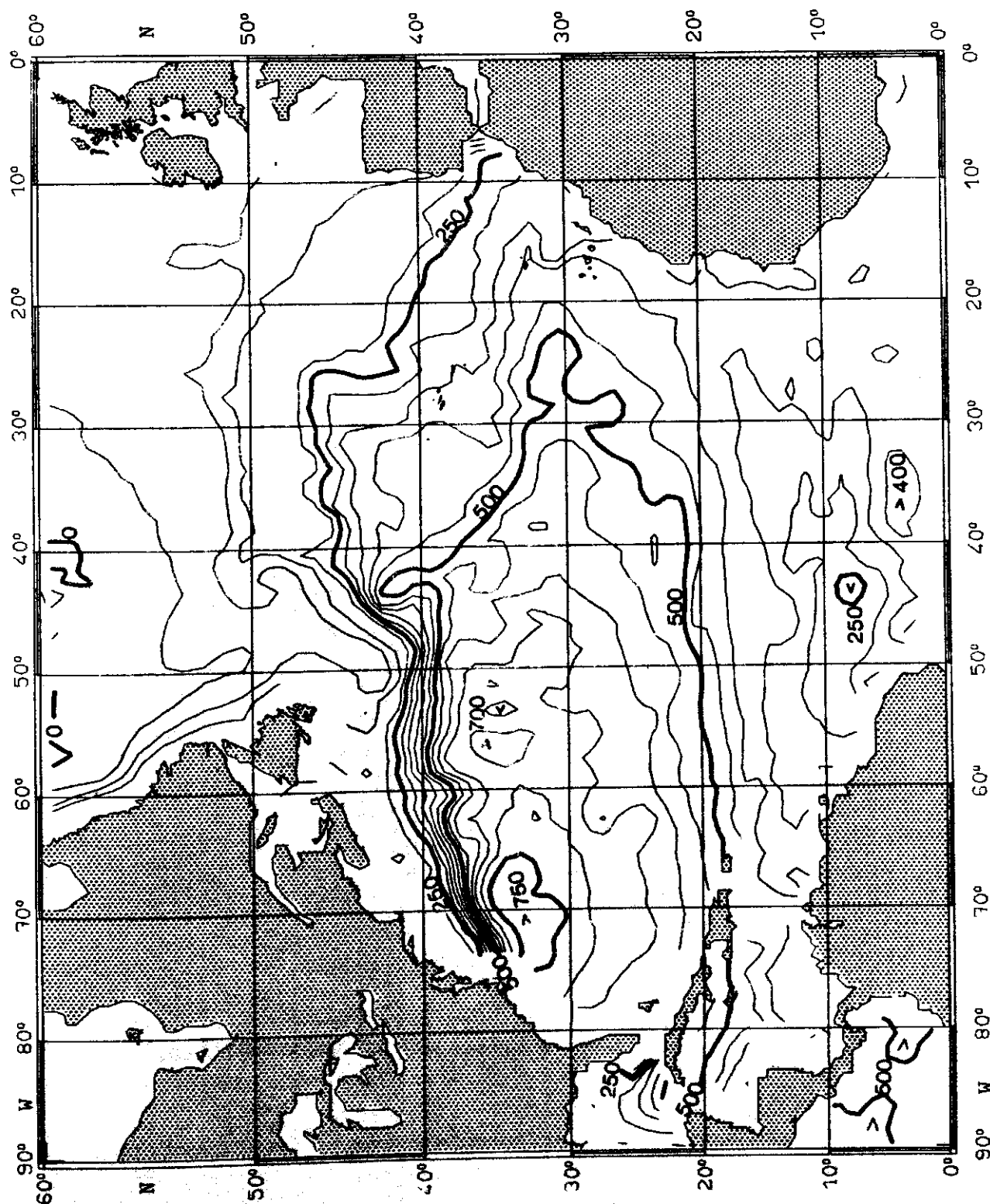


Fig. 107:

TEMPERATURE ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ) on  $\sigma_{\theta} = 27.0 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$

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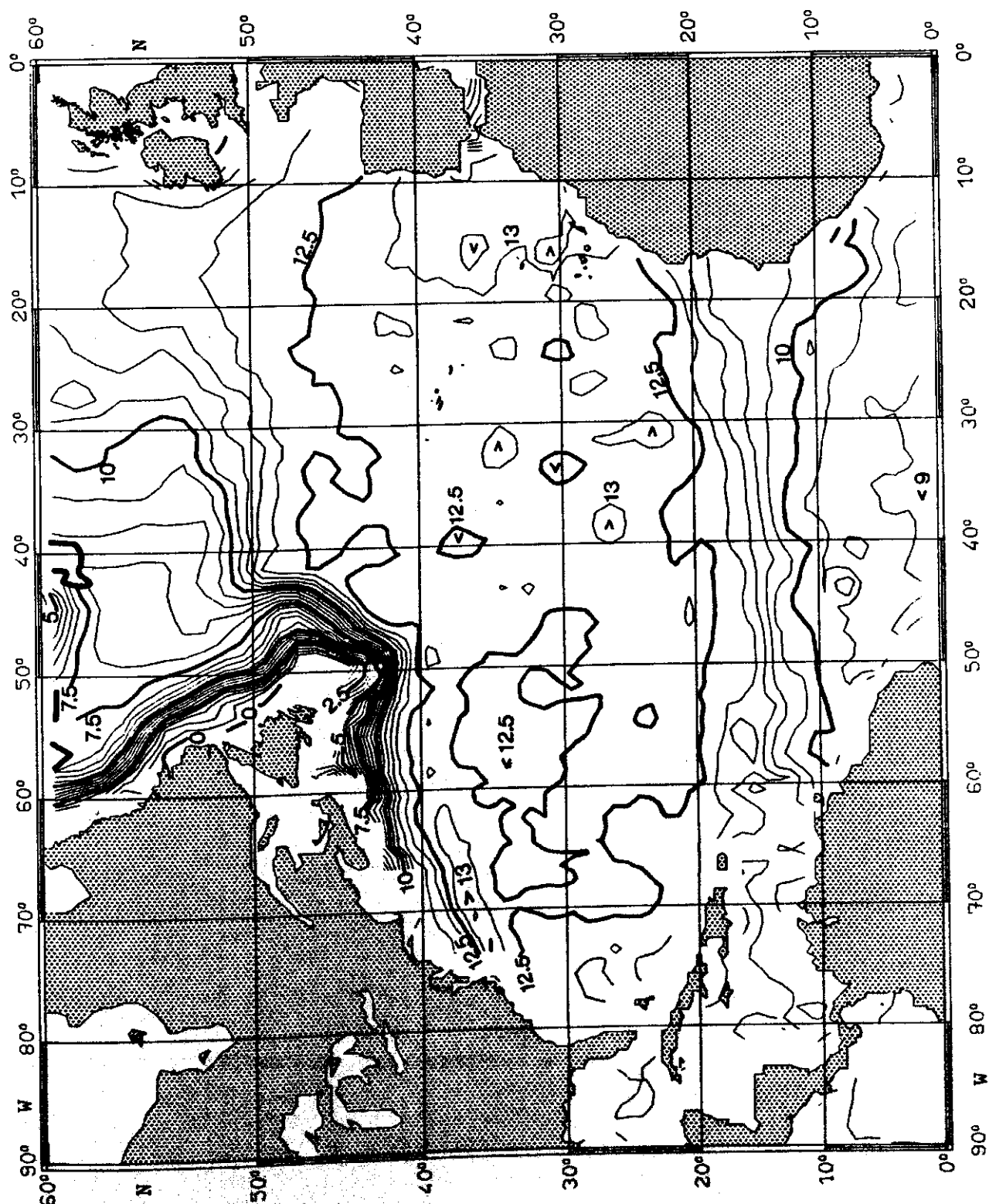


Fig. 108:

SALINITY ( $10^{-3}$ ) on  $\sigma_{\theta} = 27.0 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$  SEPTEMBER

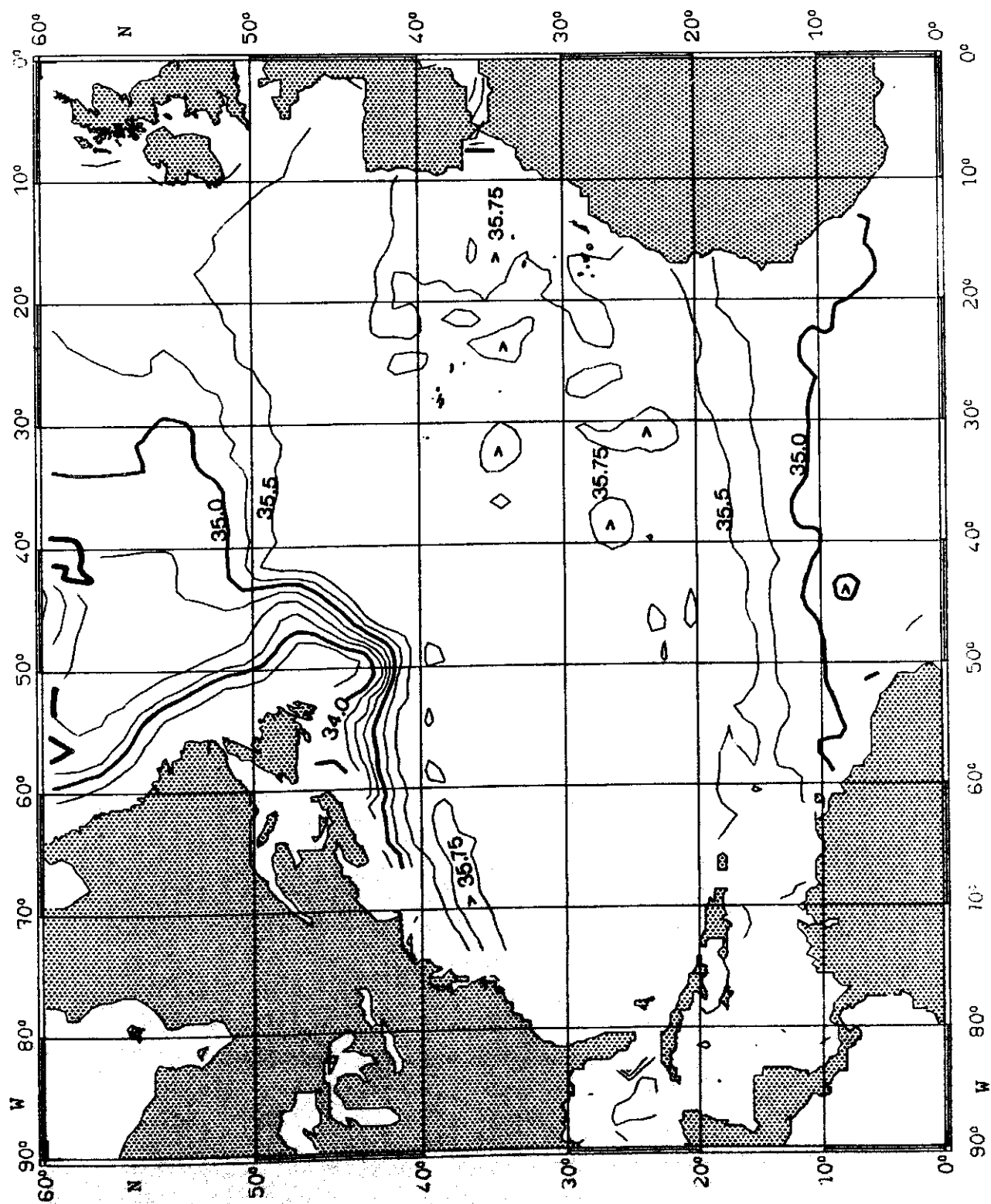


Fig. 109:

PRESSURE ( $10^4$  Pa) on  $\sigma_\theta = 25.0 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$  OCTOBER

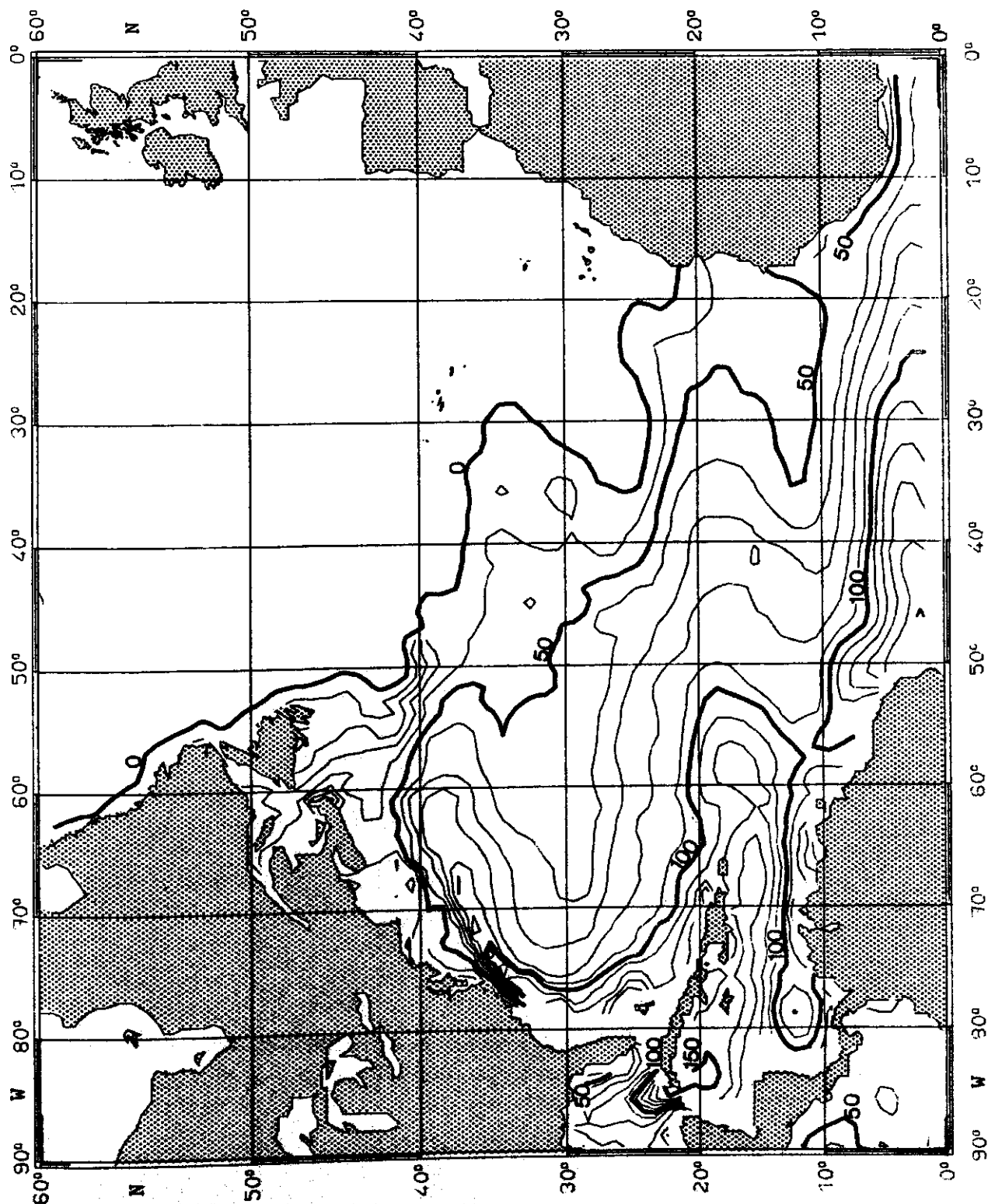




Fig. 110:

TEMPERATURE ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ) on  $\sigma_{\theta} = 25.0 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$  OCTOBER

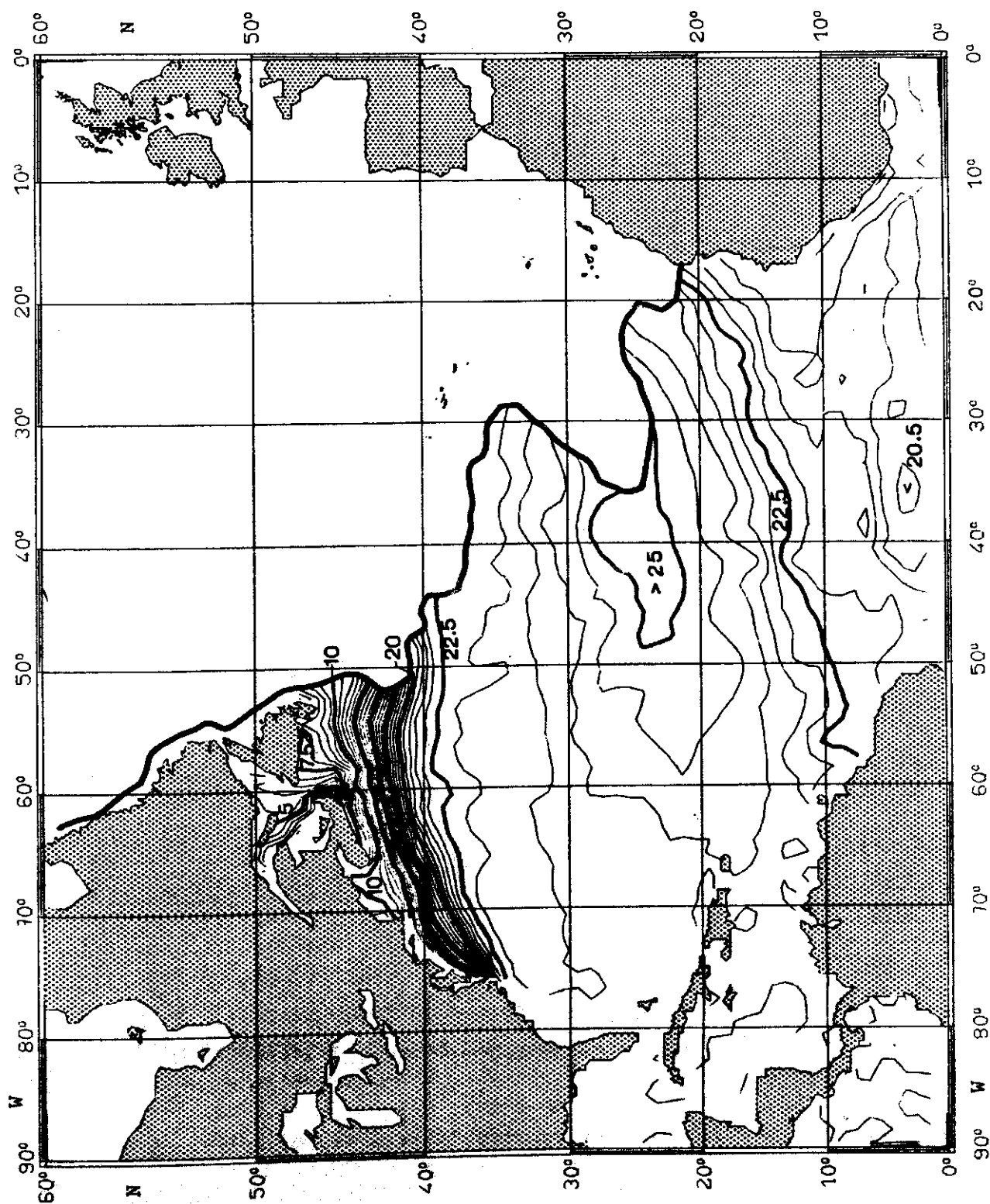


Fig. 111:

SALINITY ( $10^{-3}$ ) on  $\sigma_{\theta} = 25.0 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$  OCTOBER

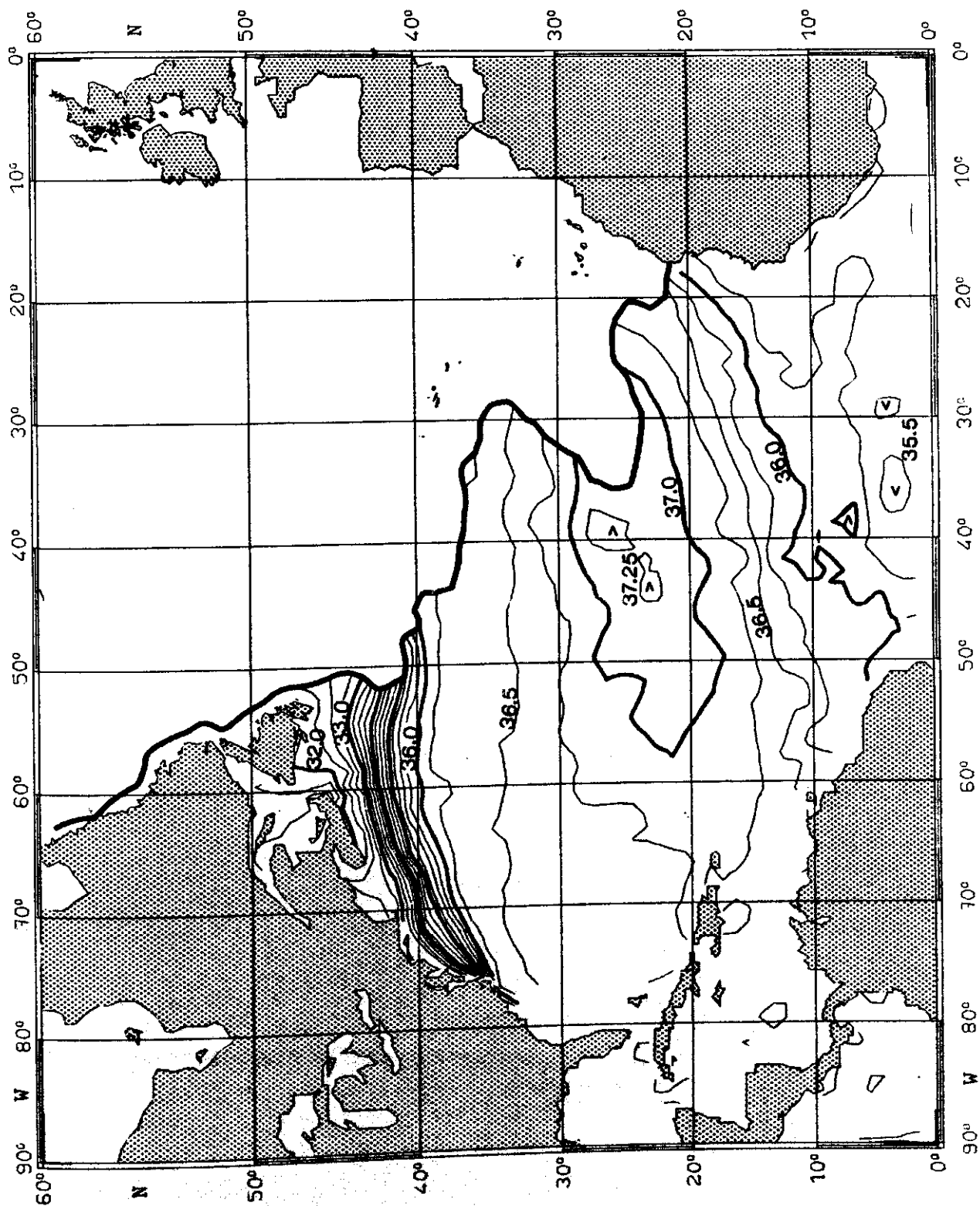


Fig. 112:

PRESSURE ( $10^4$  Pa) on  $\sigma_\theta = 26.0 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$  OCTOBER

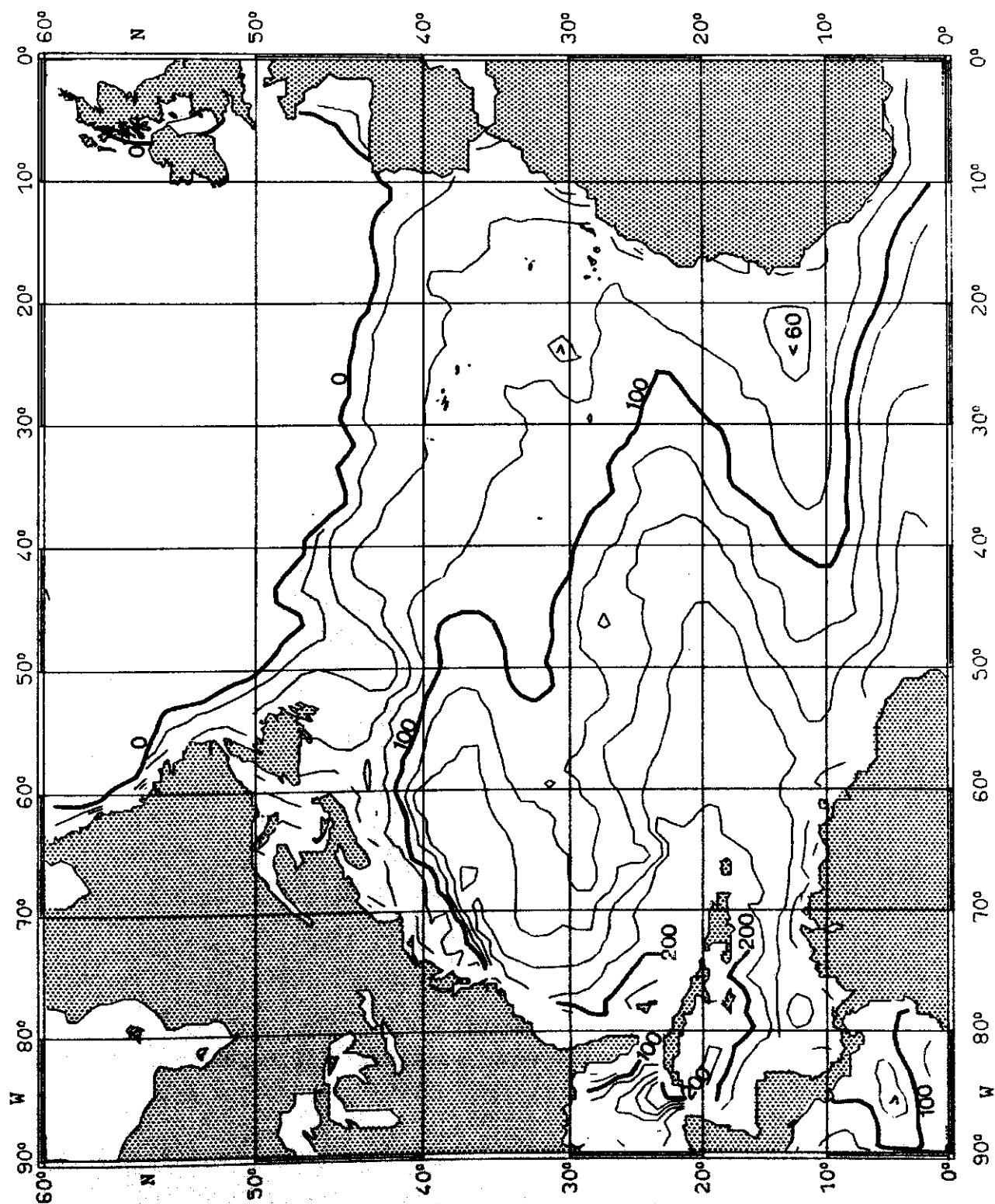


Fig. 113:

TEMPERATURE ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ) on  $\sigma_{\theta} = 26.0 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$  OCTOBER

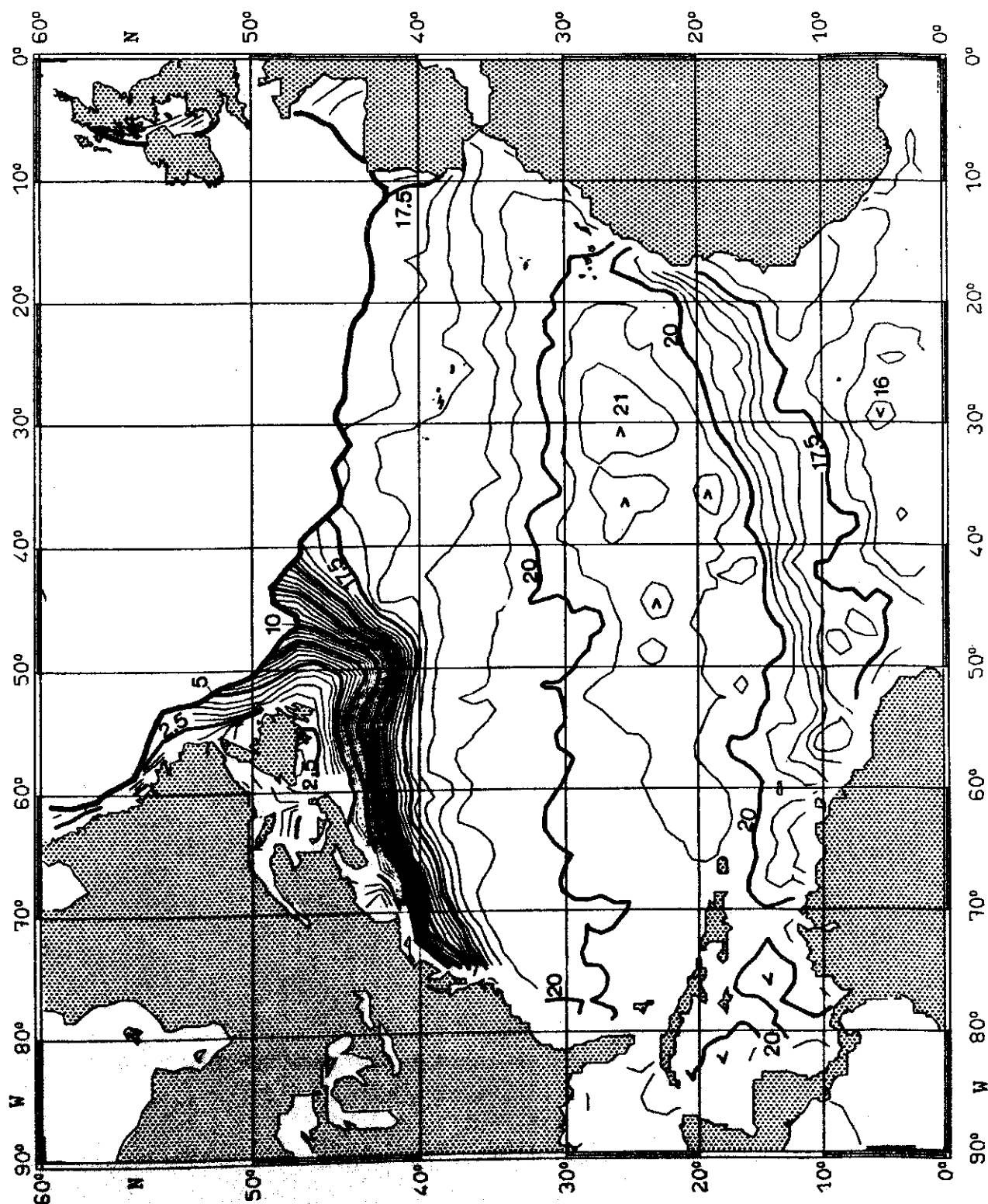


Fig. 114:

SALINITY ( $10^{-3}$ ) on  $\sigma_\theta = 26.0 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$  OCTOBER

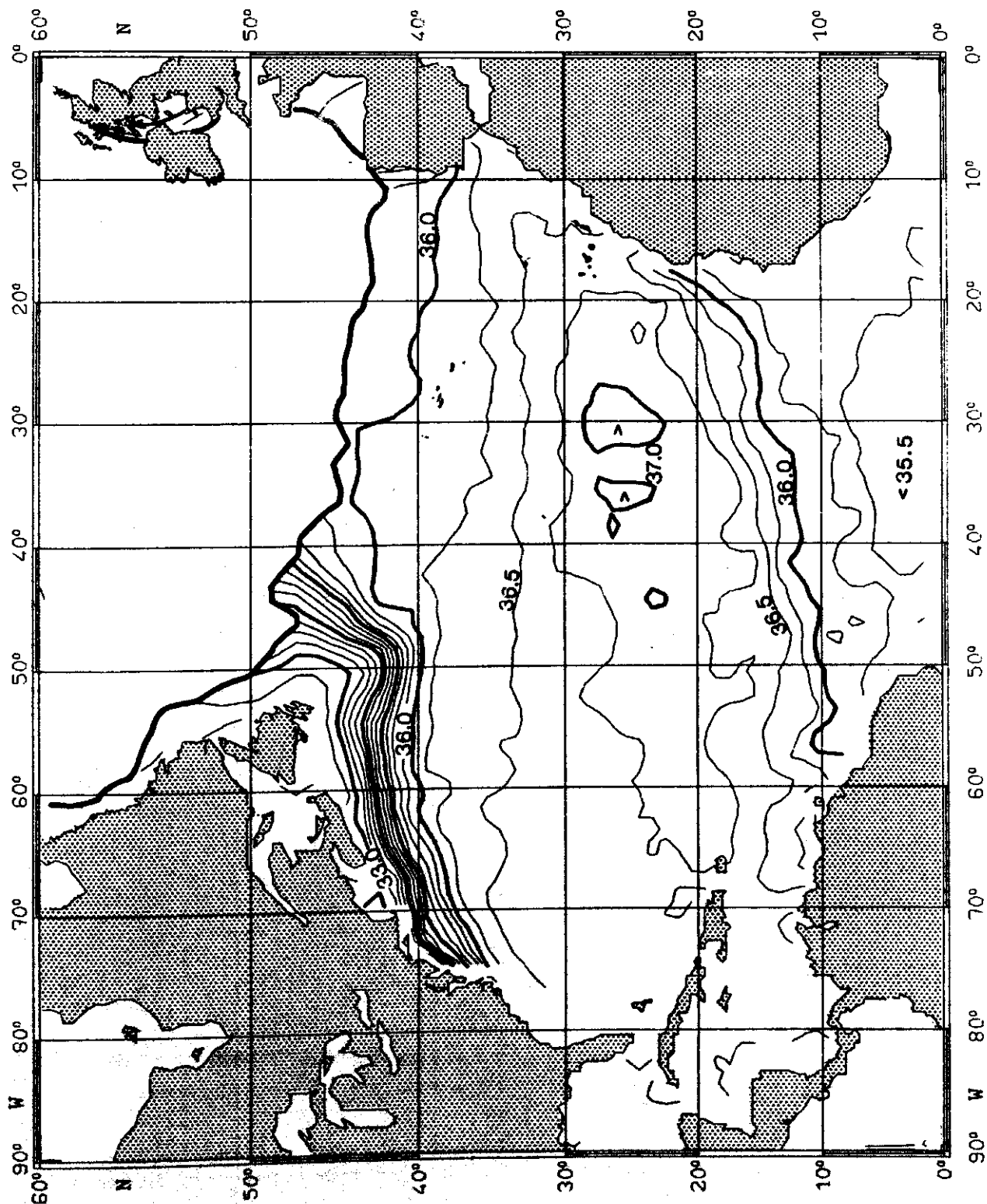




Fig. 116:

TEMPERATURE ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ) on  $\sigma_{\theta} = 27.0 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$  OCTOBER

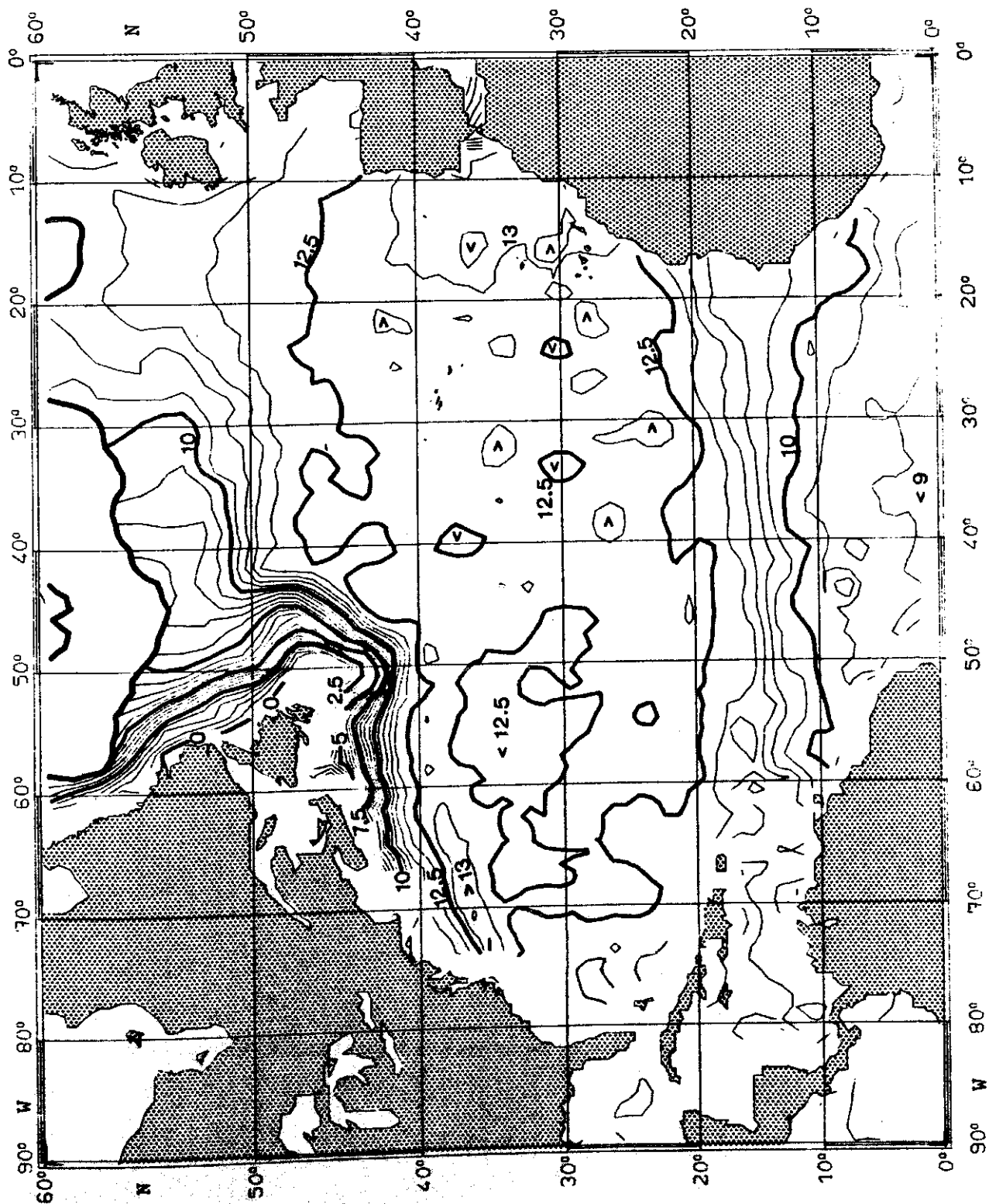


Fig. 117:

SALINITY ( $10^{-3}$ ) on  $\sigma_{\theta} = 27.0 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$  OCTOBER

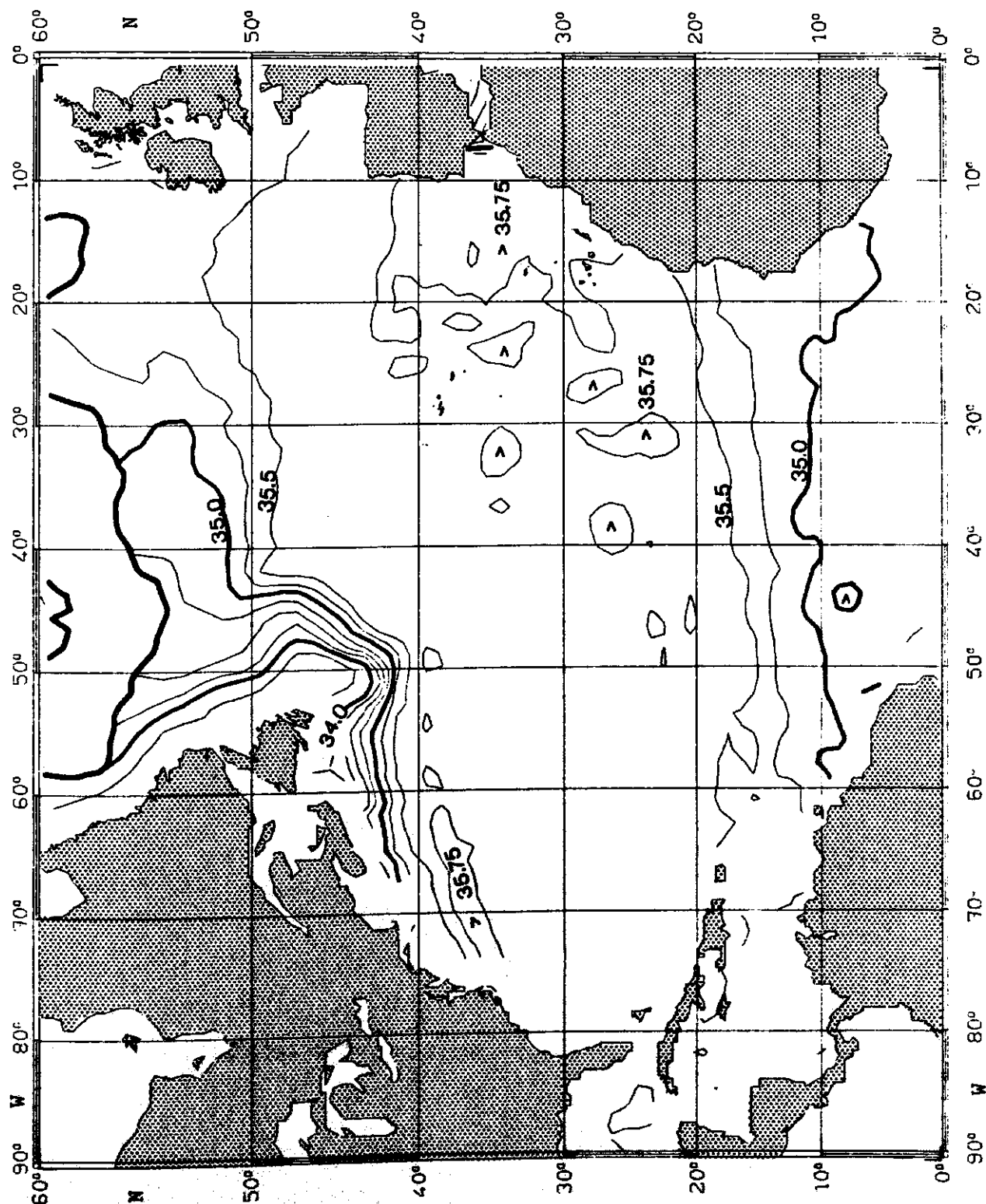




Fig. 118:

PRESSURE ( $10^4$  Pa) on  $\sigma_\theta = 25.0 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$

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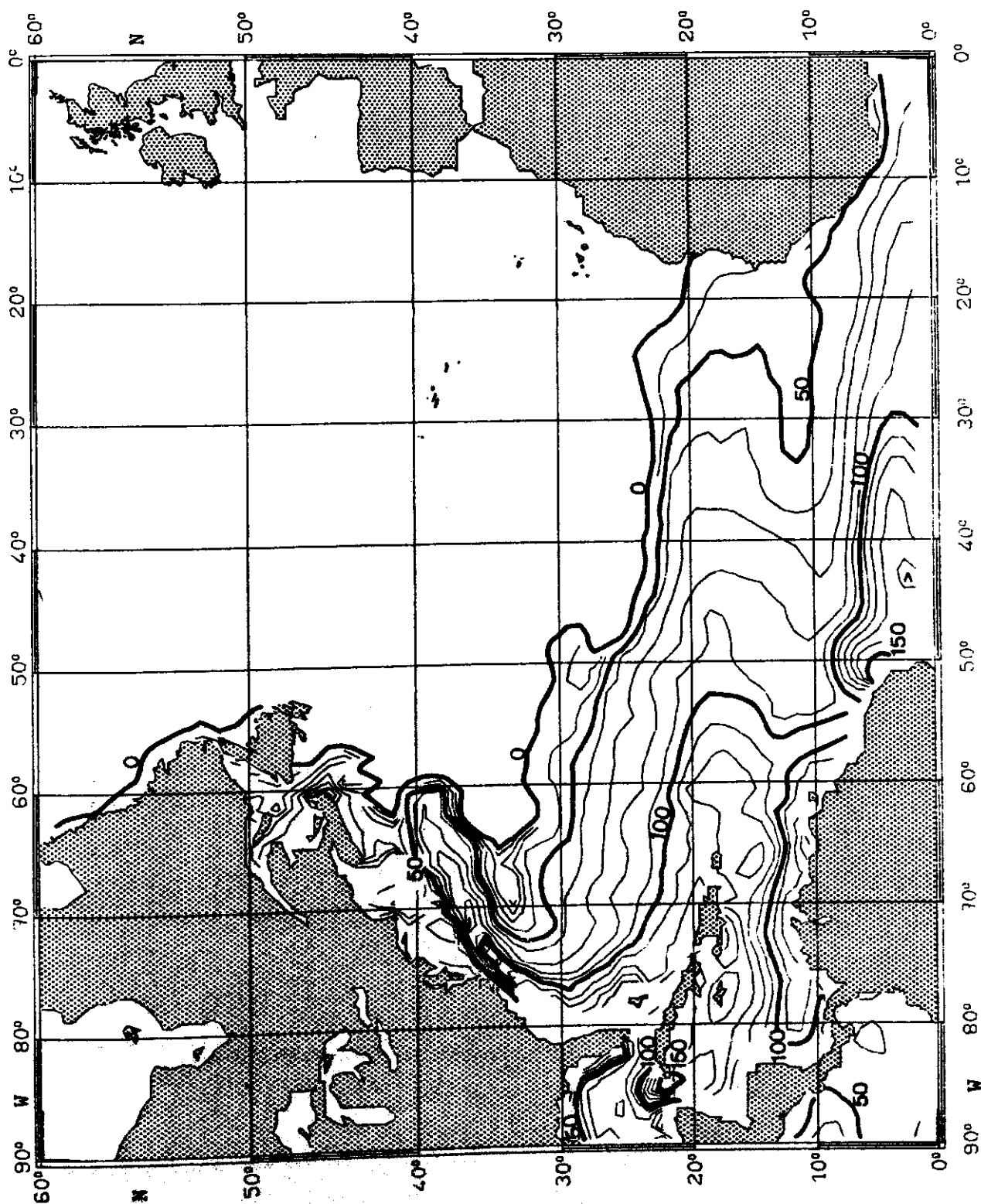


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TEMPERATURE ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ) on  $\sigma_{\theta} = 25.0 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$  NOVEMBER

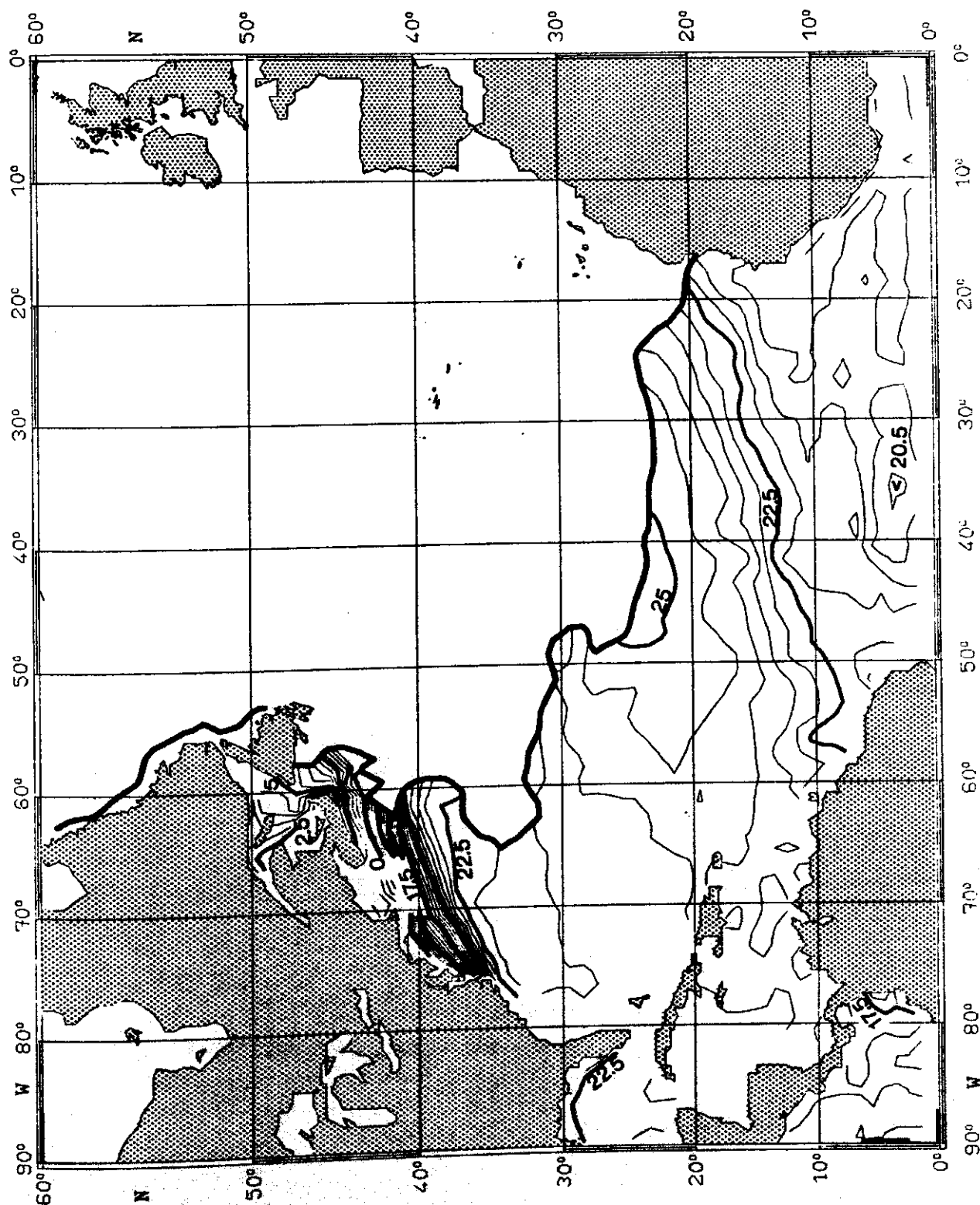


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SALINITY ( $10^{-3}$ ) on  $\sigma_{\theta} = 25.0 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$  NOVEMBER

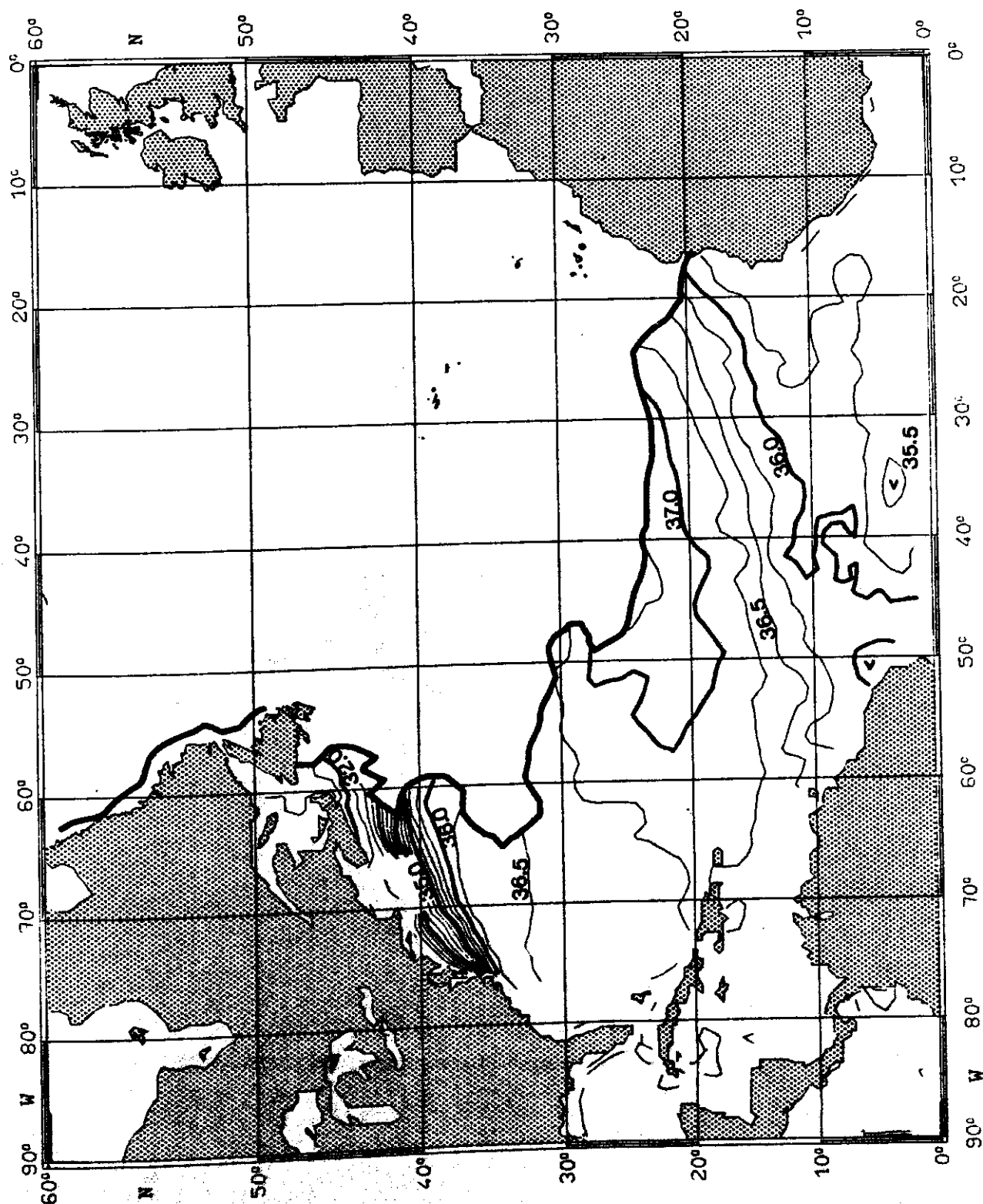


Fig. 121:

PRESSURE ( $10^4$  Pa) on  $\sigma_\theta = 26.0 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$  NOVEMBER

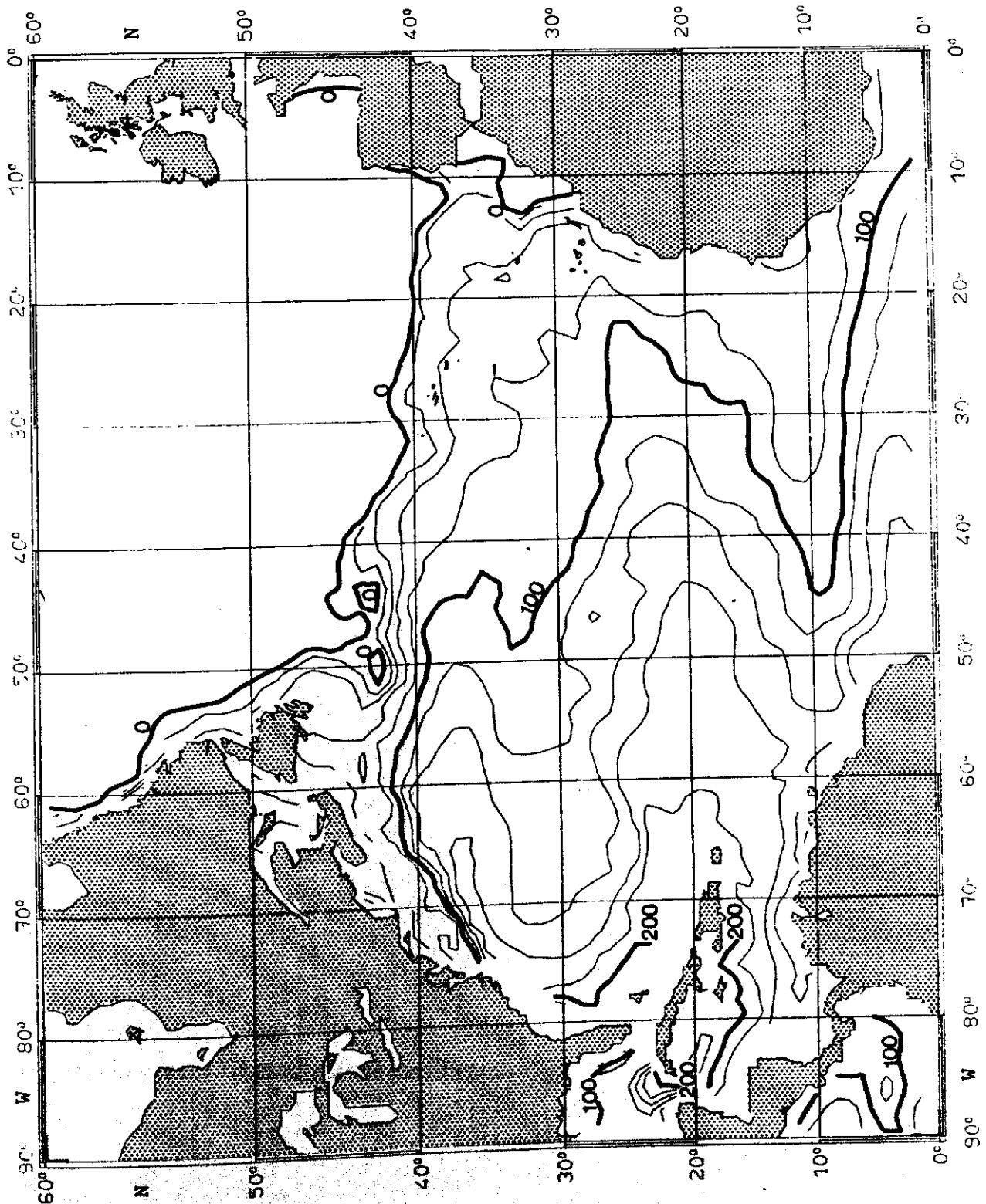


Fig. 122:

TEMPERATURE ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ) on  $\sigma_{\theta} = 26.0 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$  NOVEMBER

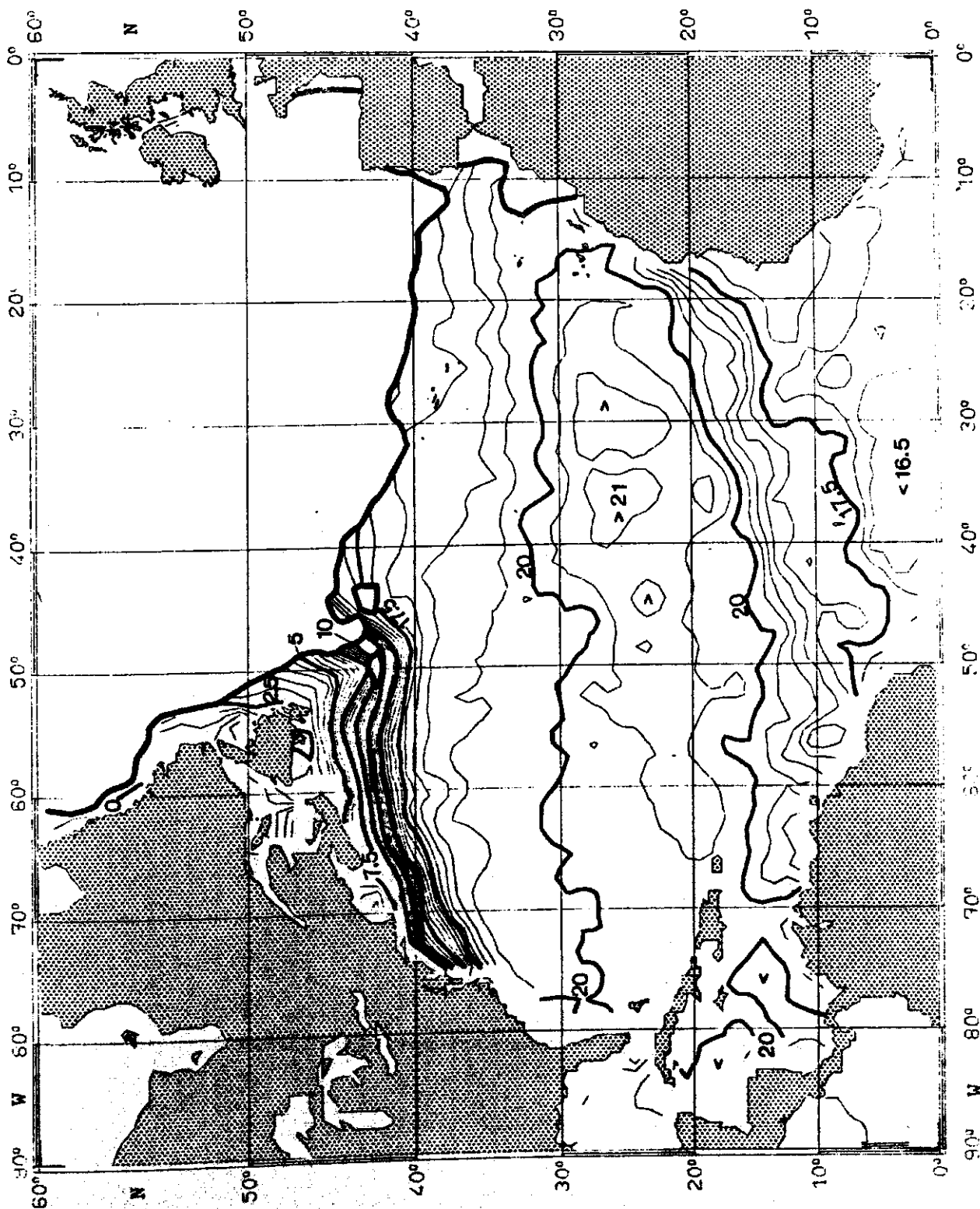


Fig. 123:

SALINITY ( $10^{-3}$ ) on  $\sigma_{\theta} = 26.0 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$  NOVEMBER

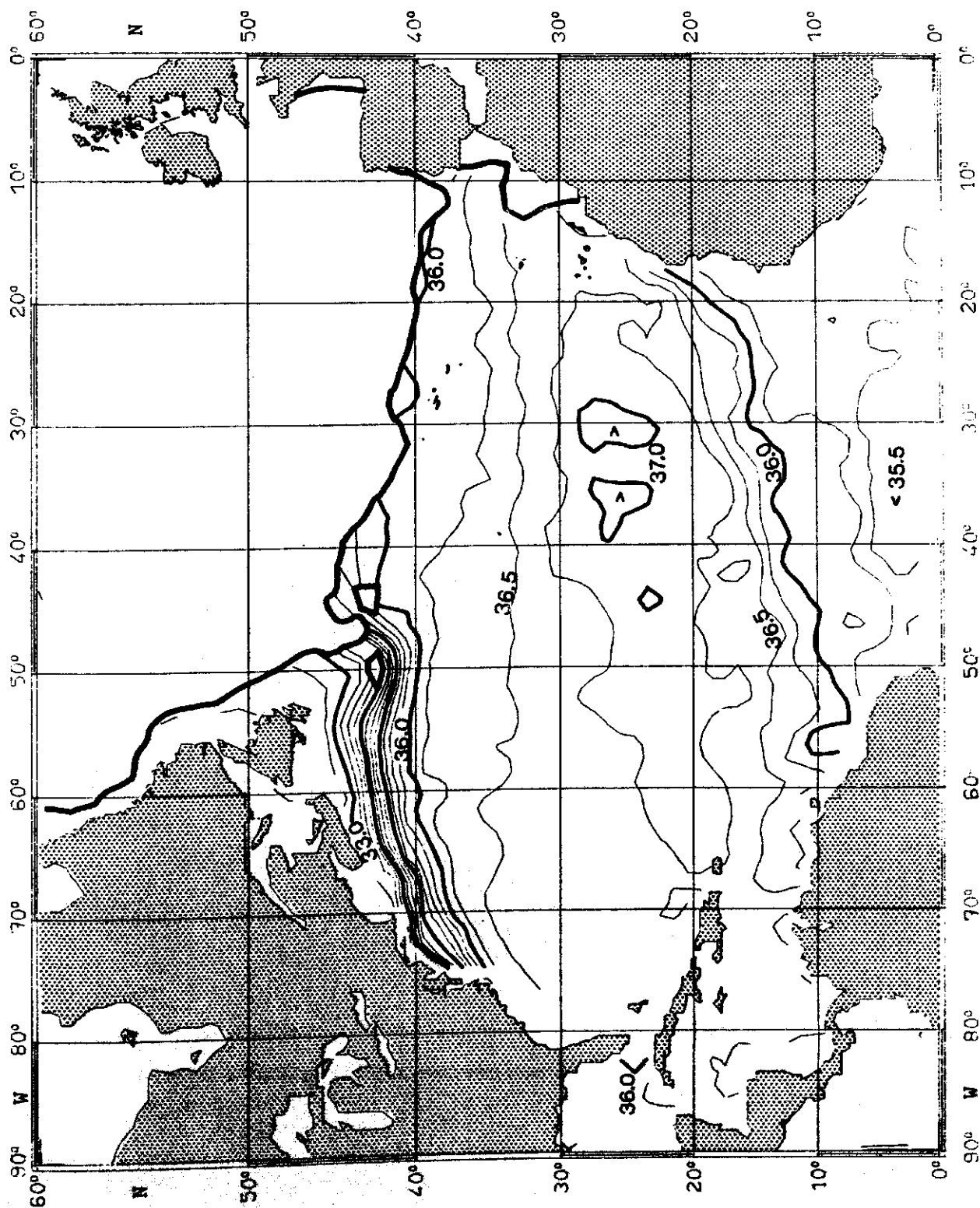


Fig. 124:

PRESSURE ( $10^4$  Pa) on  $\sigma_\theta = 27.0 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$

NOVEMBER

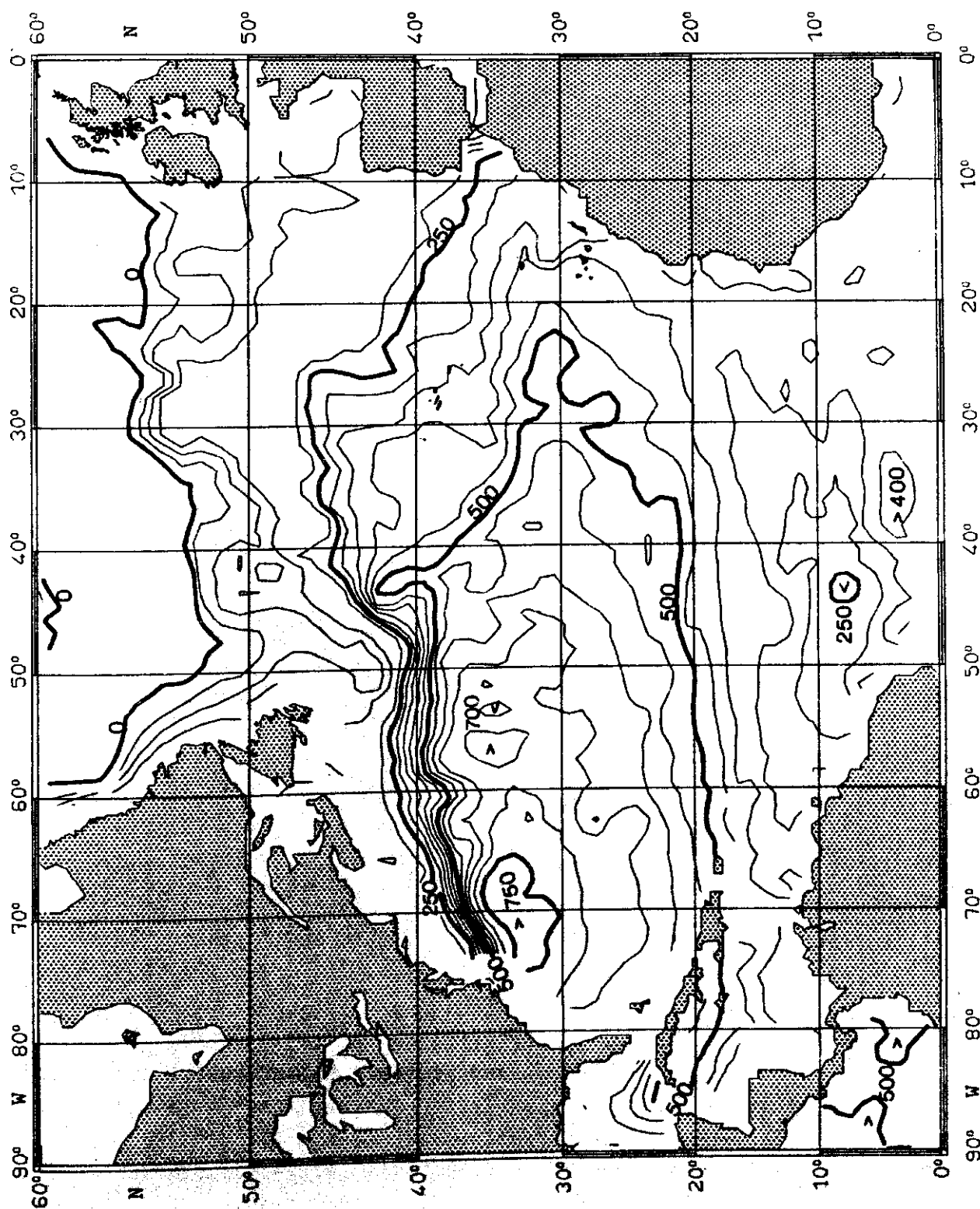


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TEMPERATURE ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ) on  $\sigma_{\theta} = 27.0 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$  NOVEMBER

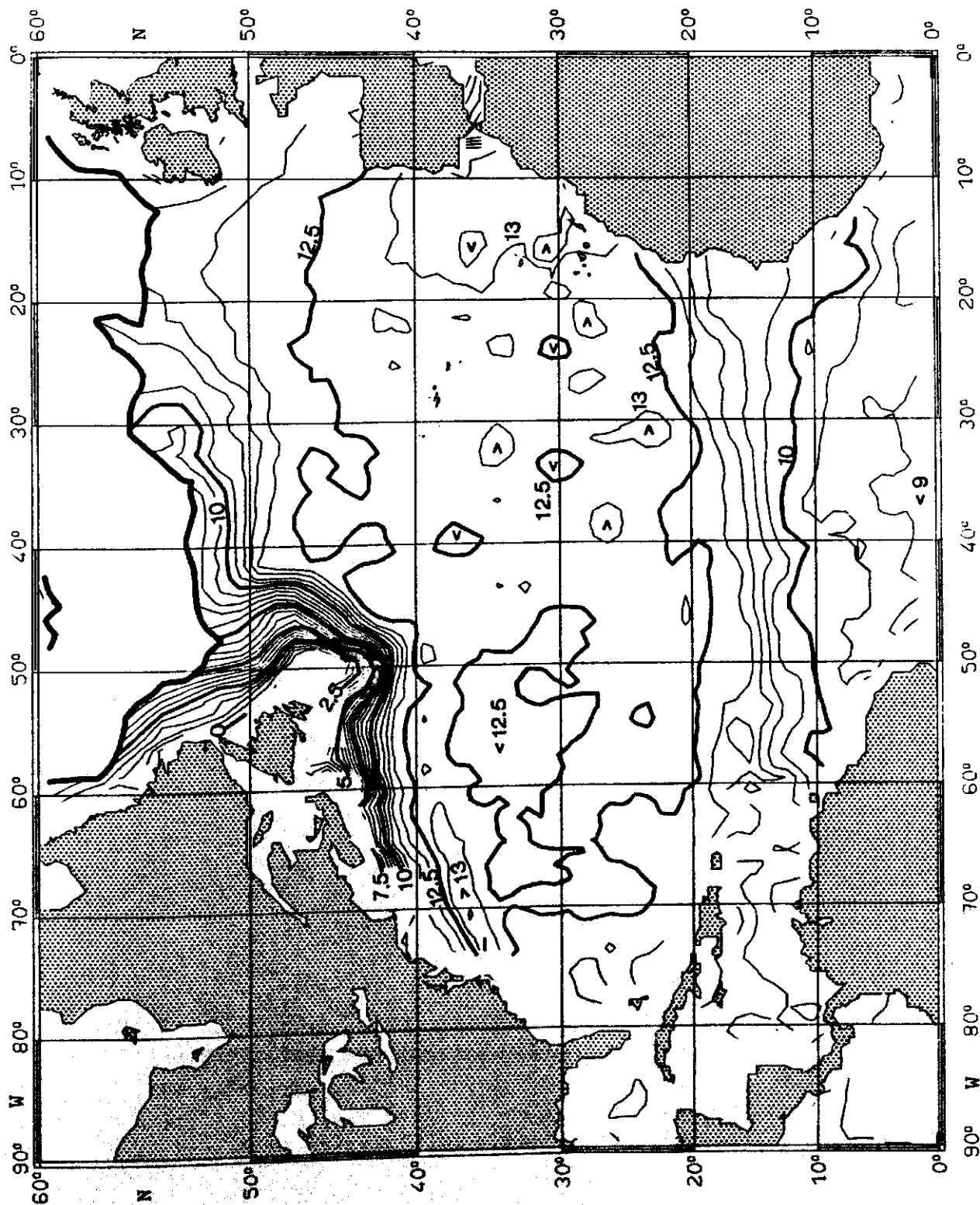




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SALINITY ( $10^{-3}$ ) on  $\sigma_{\theta} = 27.0 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$  NOVEMBER

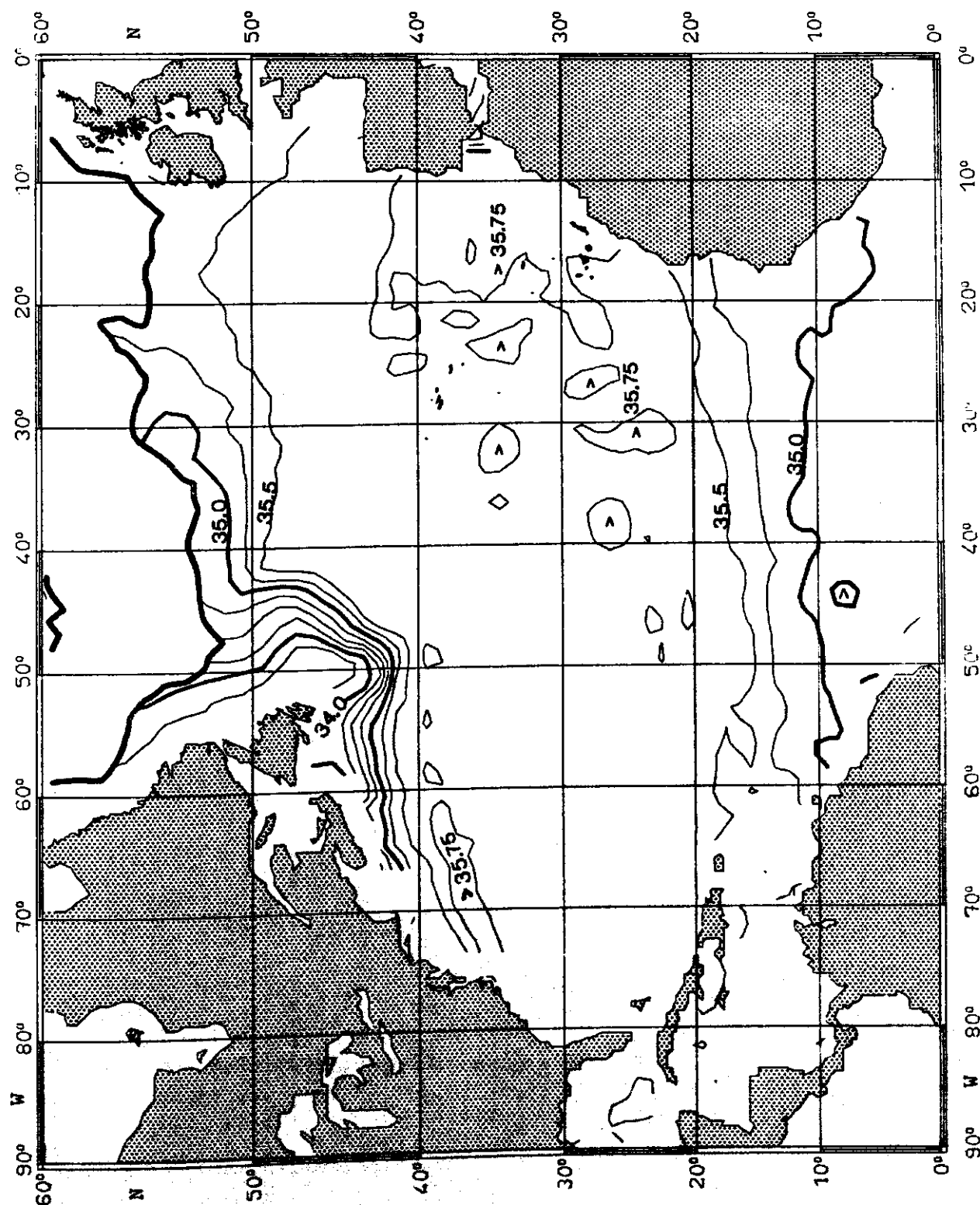


Fig. 127:

PRESSURE ( $10^4$  Pa) on  $\sigma_\theta = 25.0 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$  DECEMBER

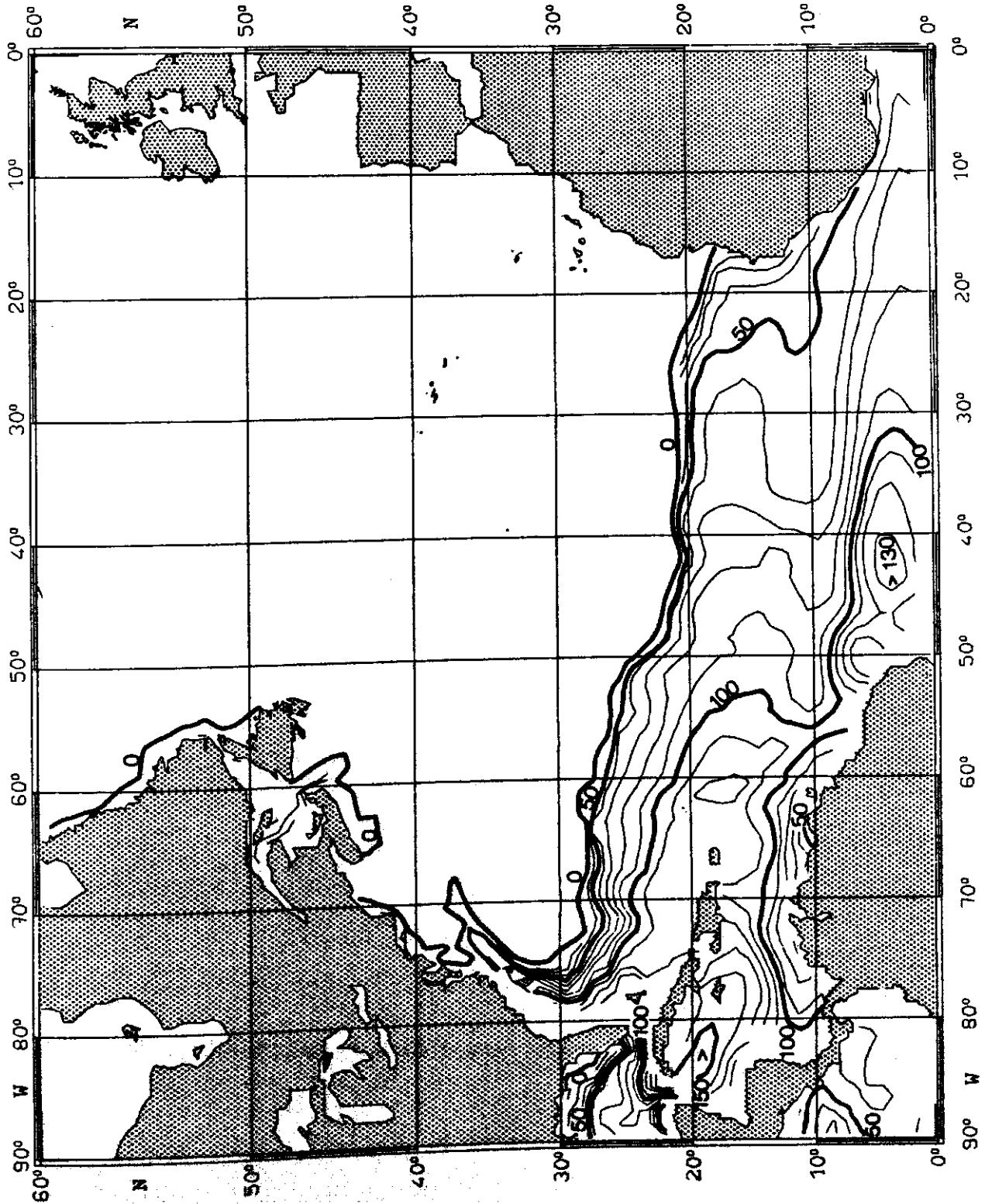


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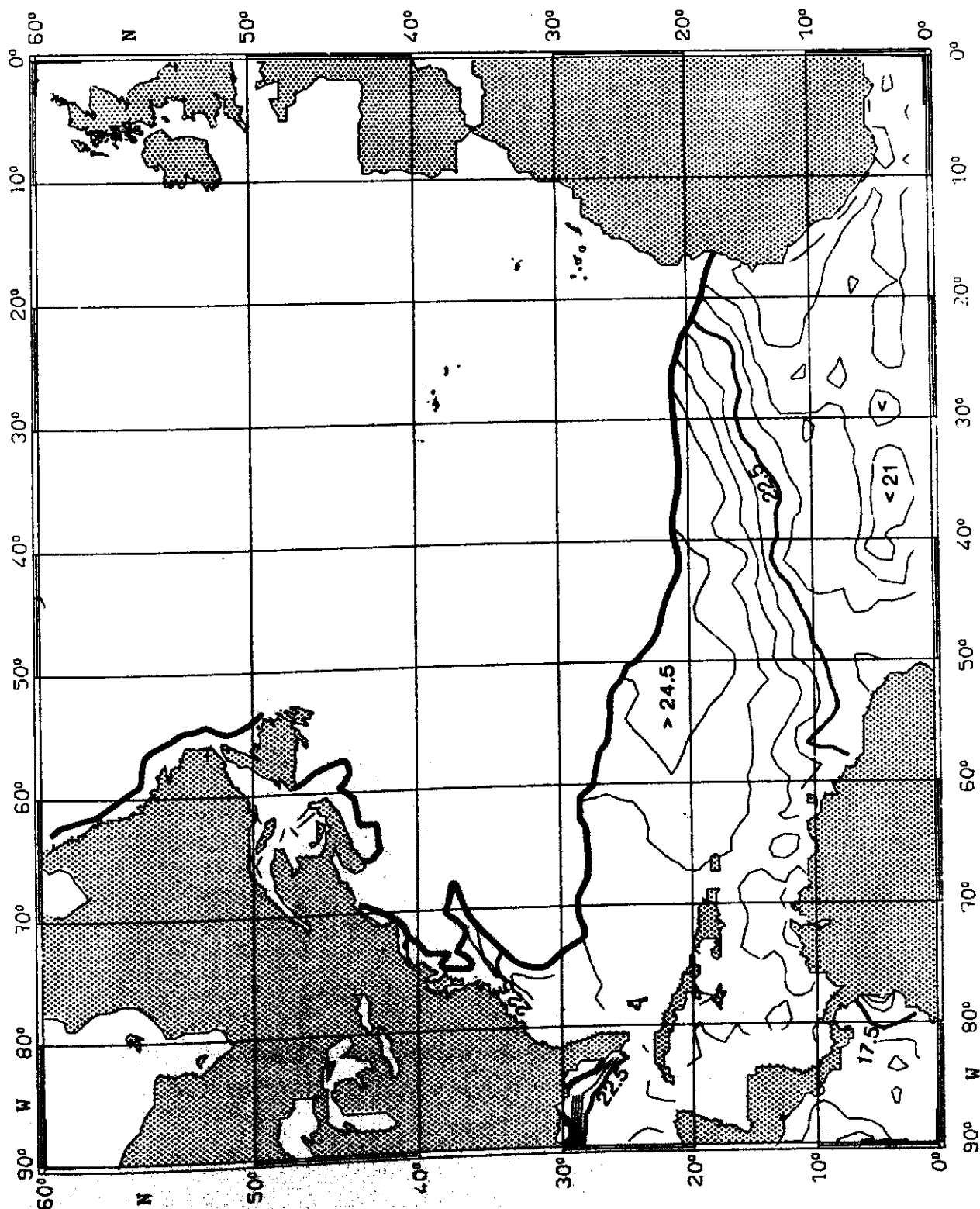


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SALINITY ( $10^{-3}$ ) on  $\sigma_{\theta} = 25.0 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$

DECEMBER

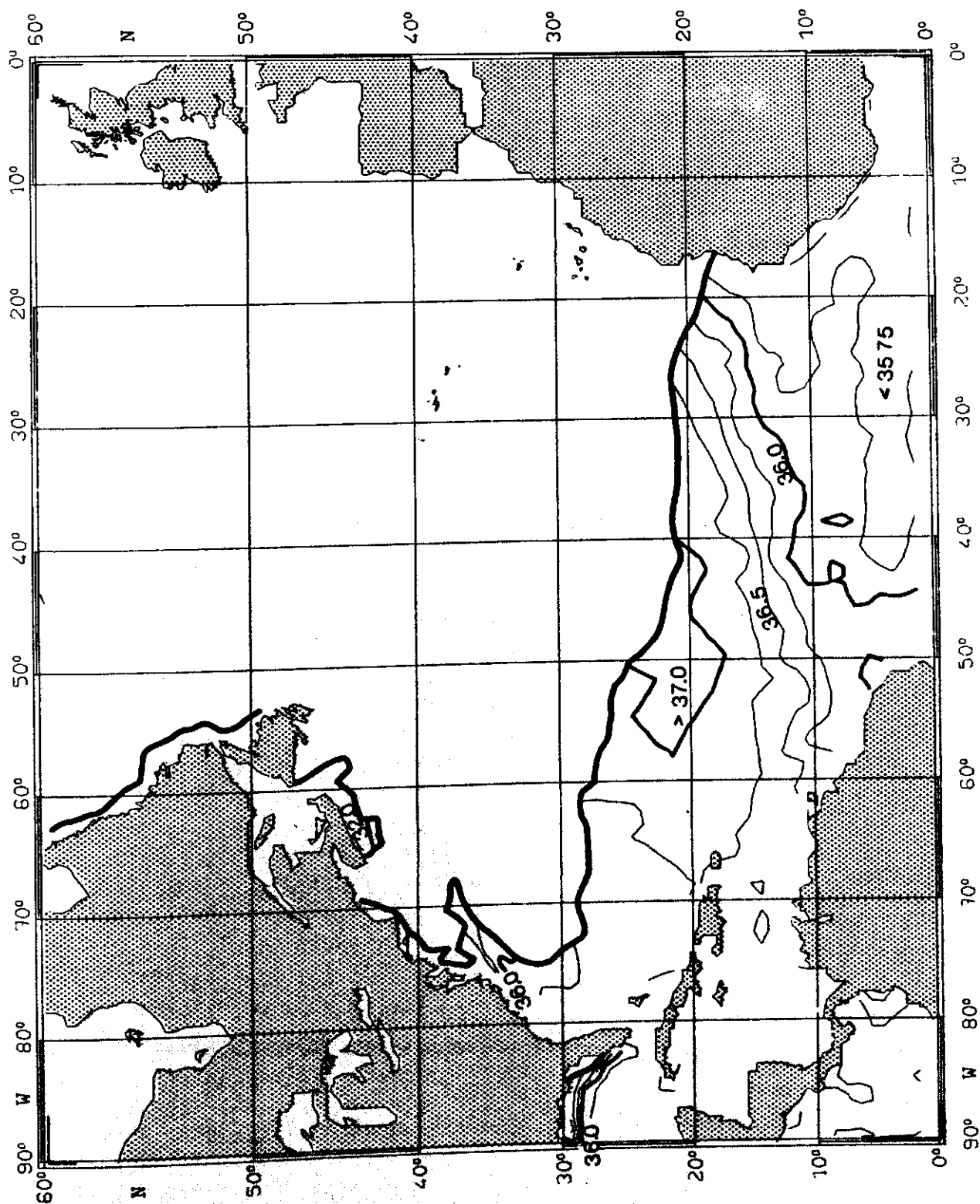


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PRESSURE ( $10^4$  Pa) on  $\sigma_\theta = 26.0 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$  DECEMBER

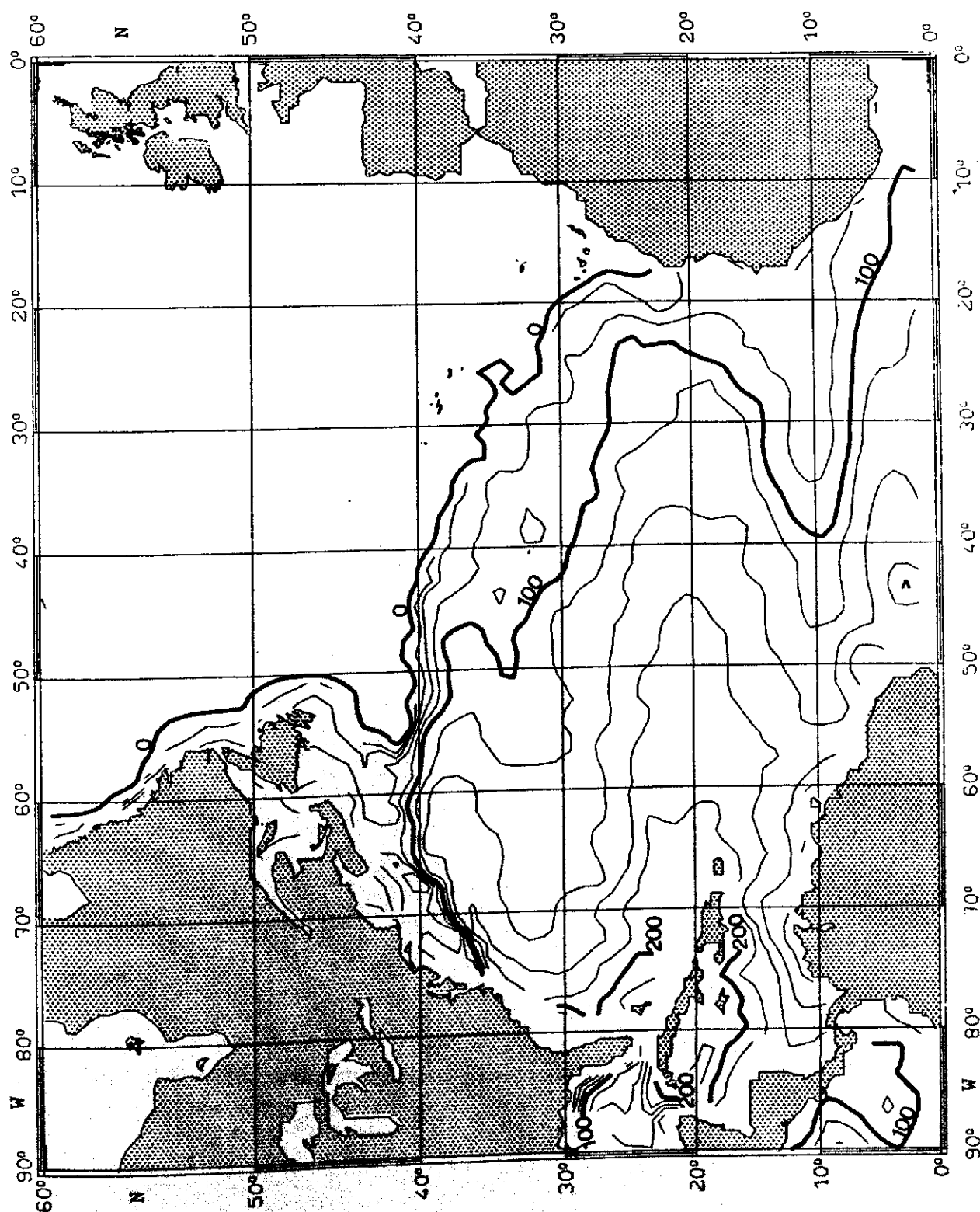


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TEMPERATURE ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ) on  $\sigma_{\theta} = 26.0 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$

DECEMBER

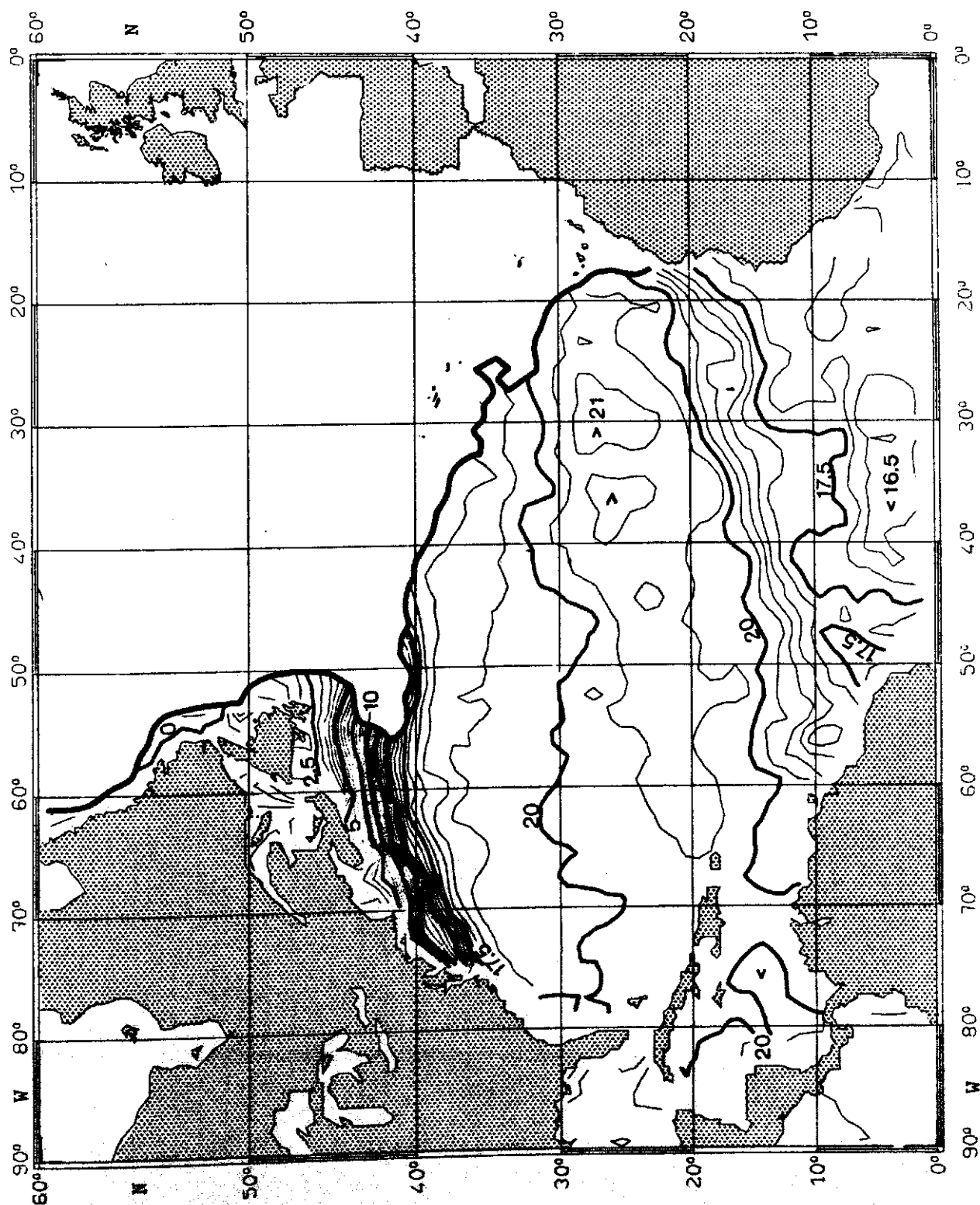


Fig. 132:

SALINITY ( $10^{-3}$ ) on  $\sigma_{\theta} = 26.0 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$  DECEMBER

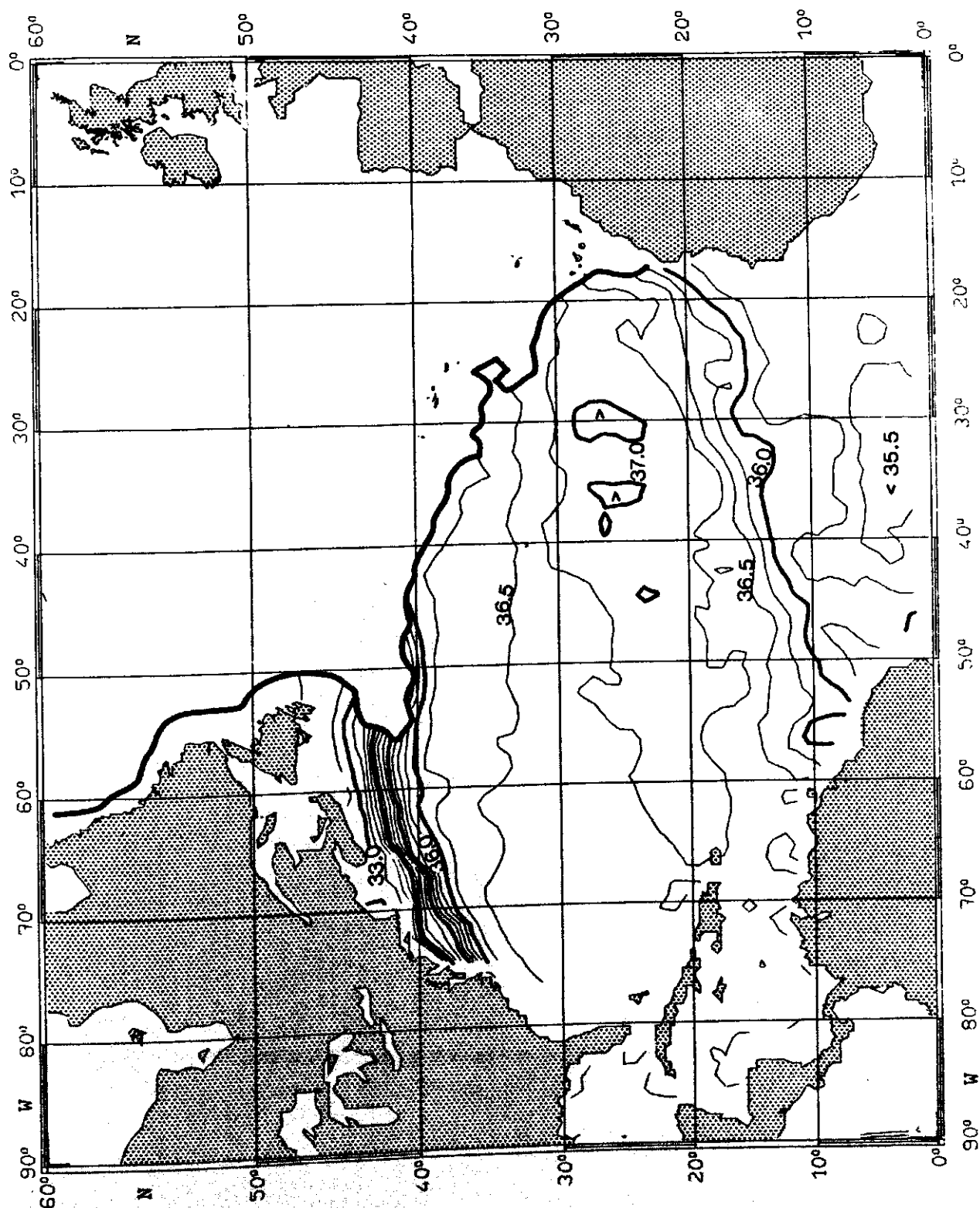






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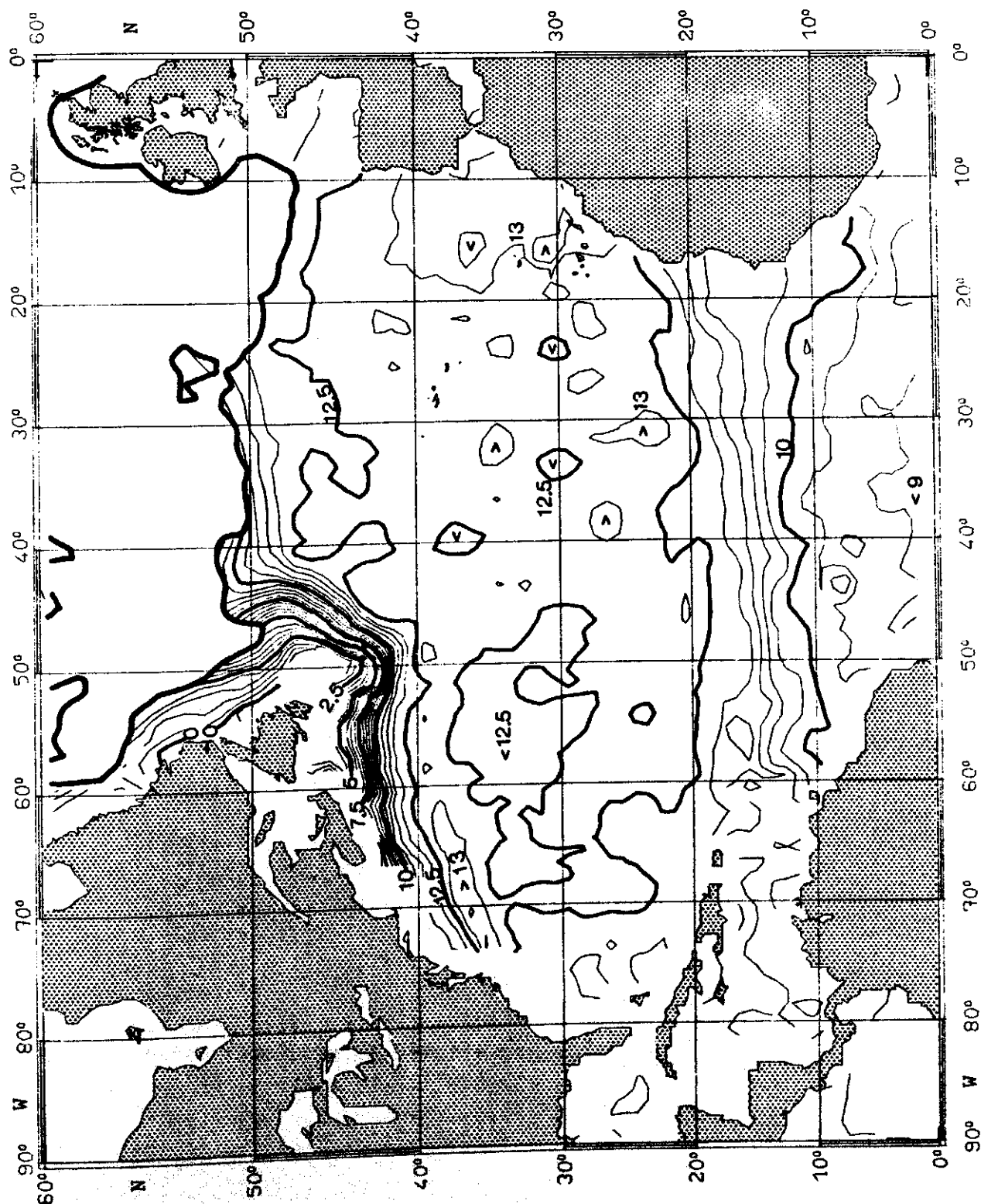


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SALINITY ( $10^{-3}$ ) on  $\sigma_{\theta} = 27.0 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$

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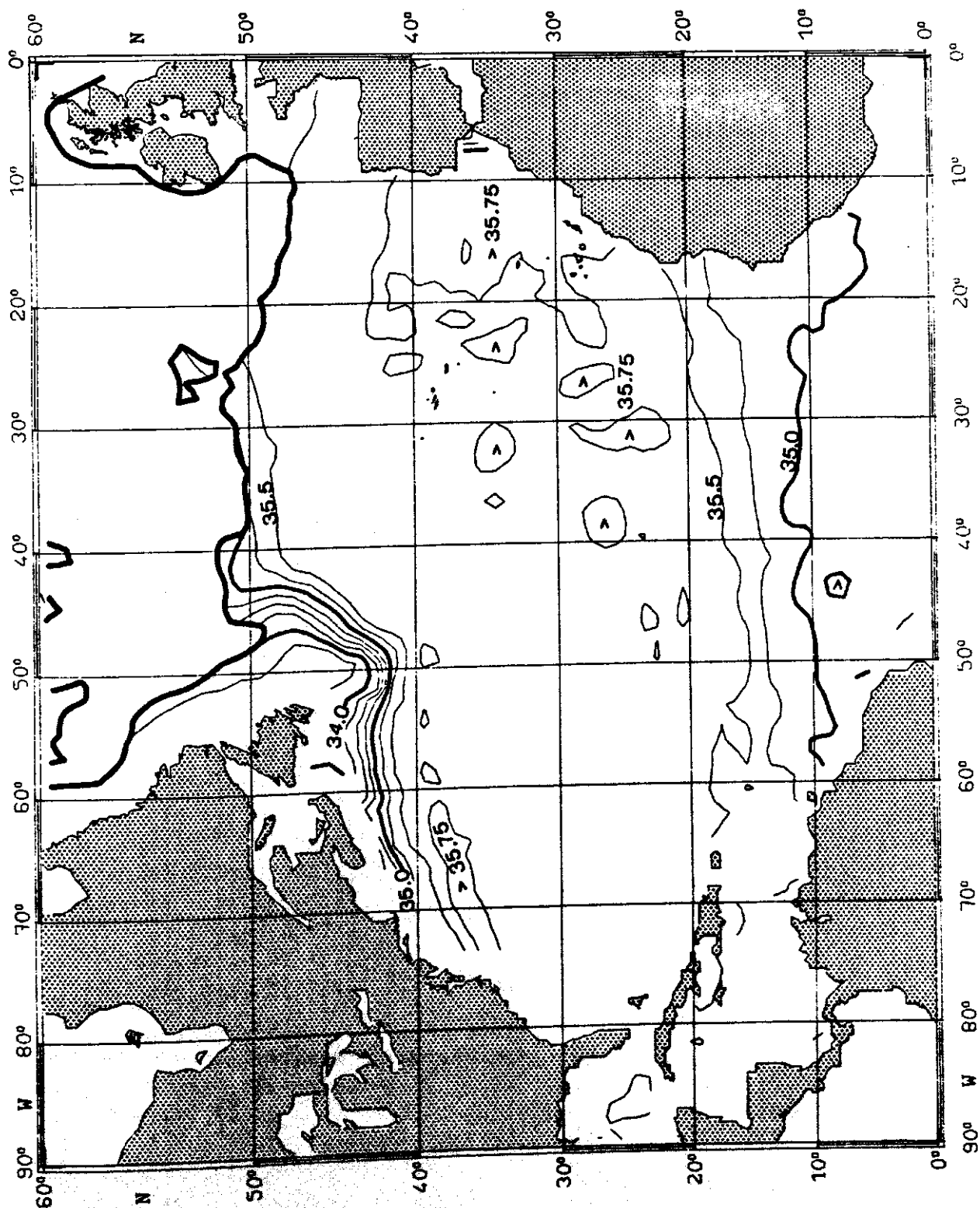
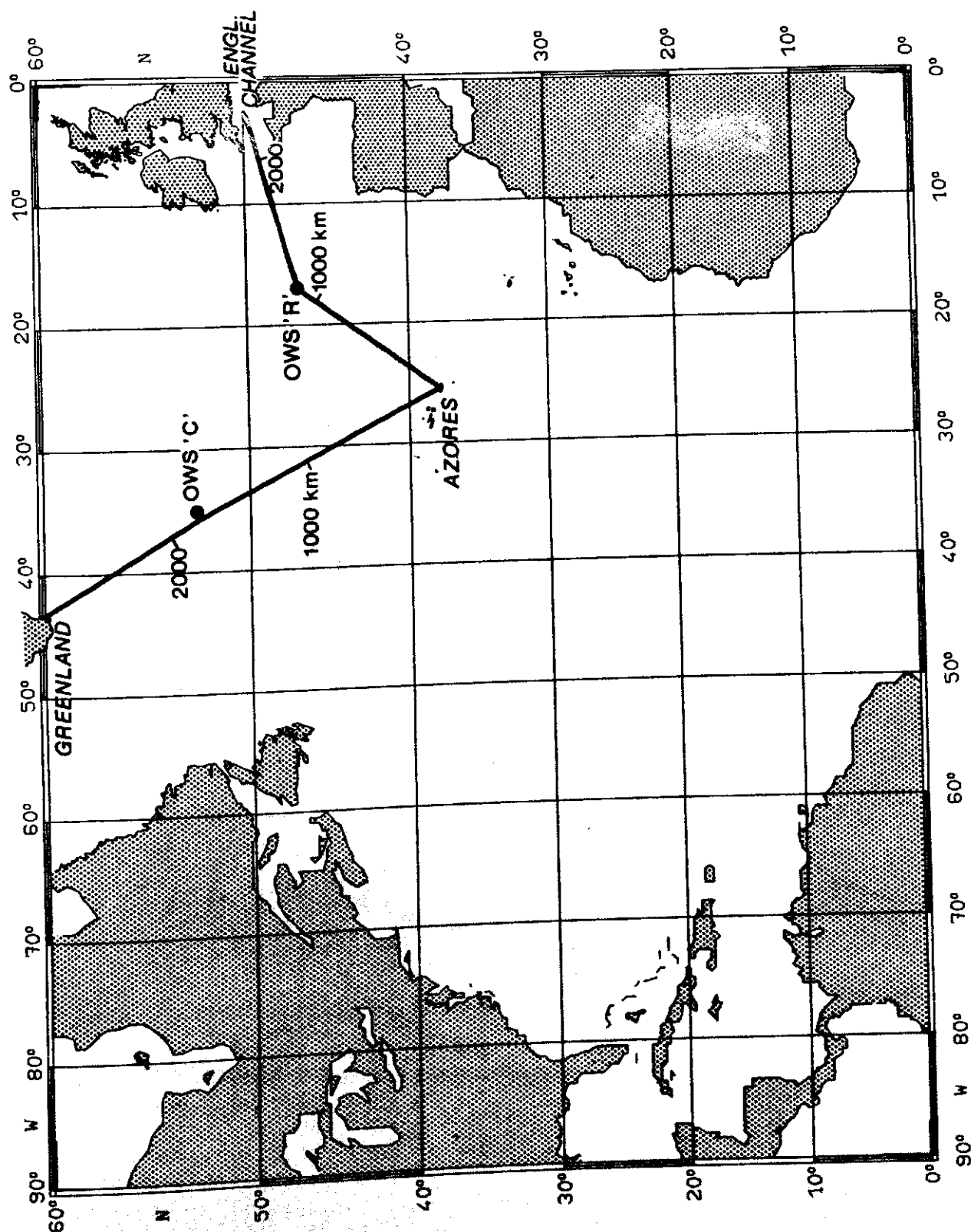


Fig. 136: Location of vertical sections  
Azores - Greenland and Azores - English Channel



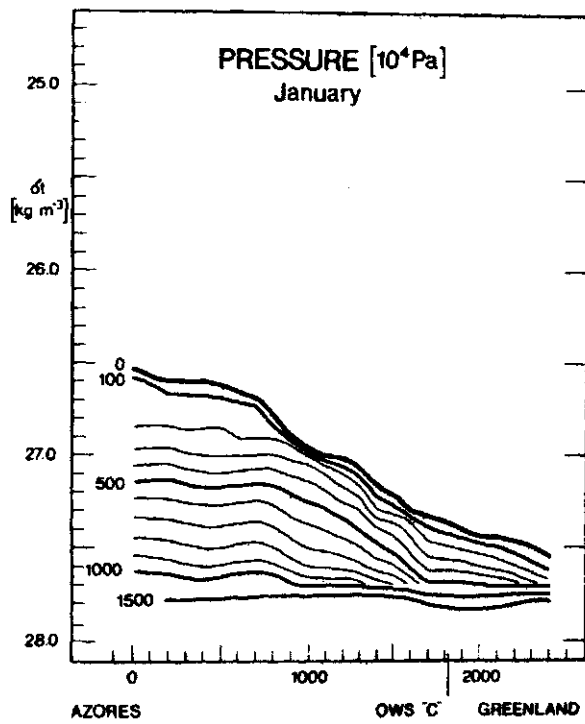
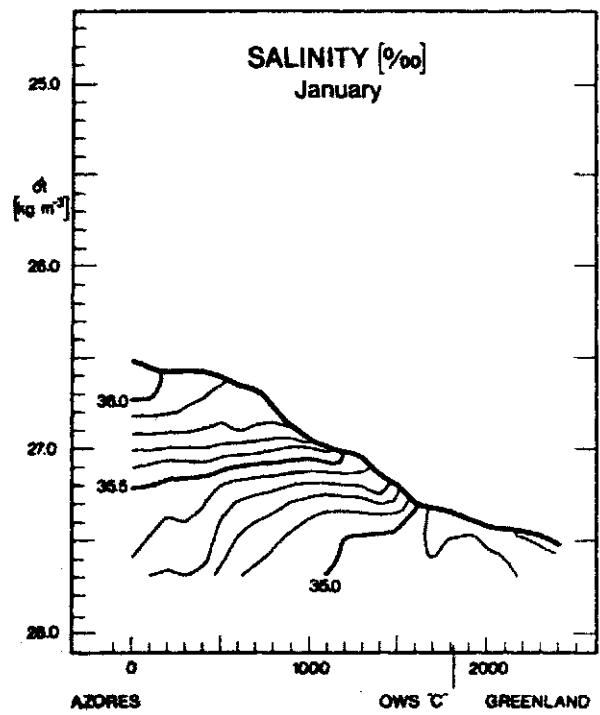
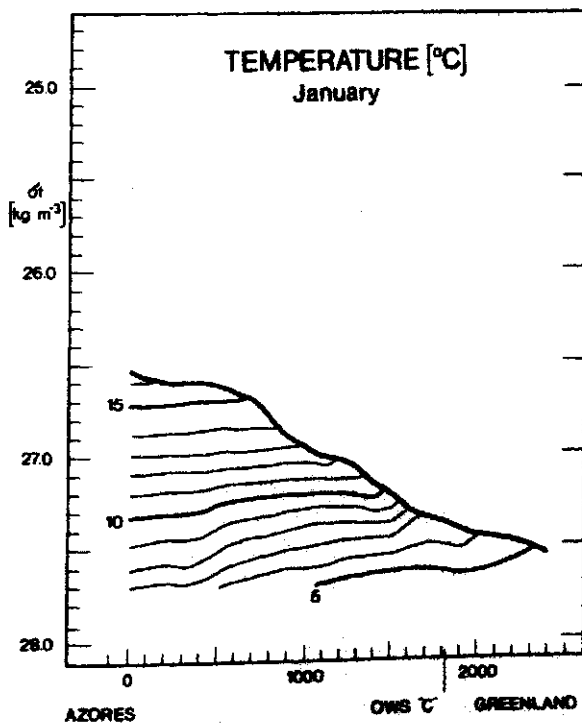


Fig. 137:  
AZORES - GREENLAND  
January



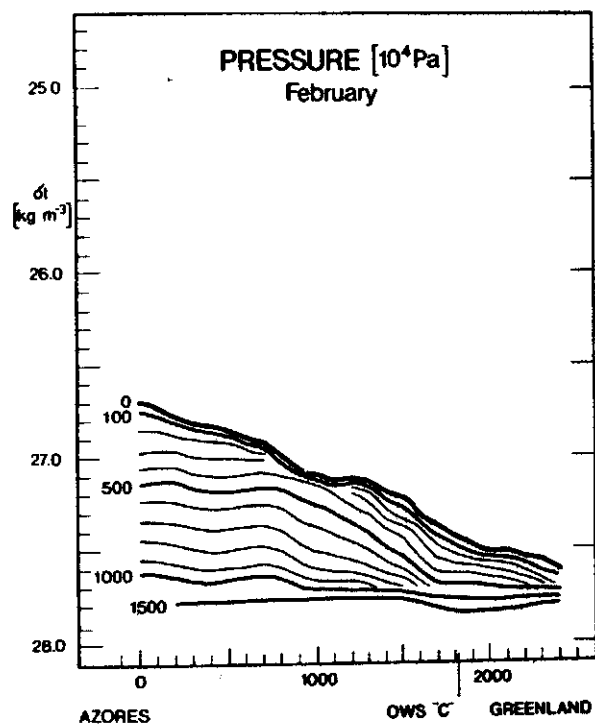
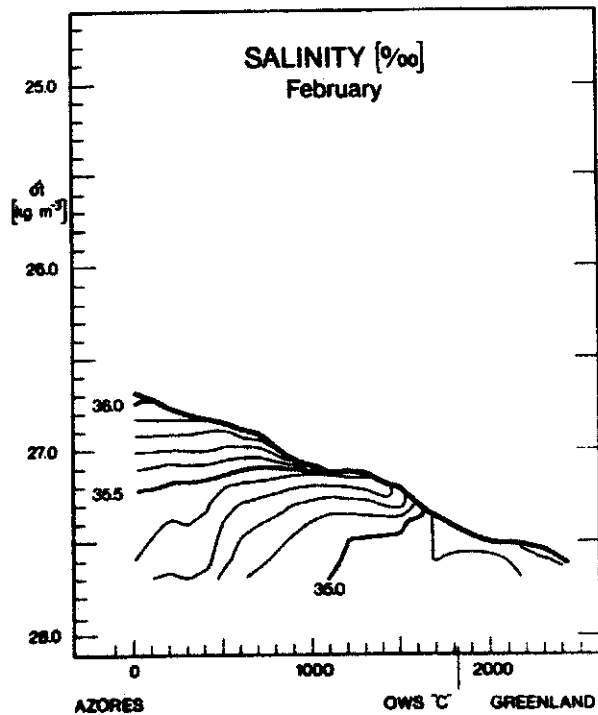
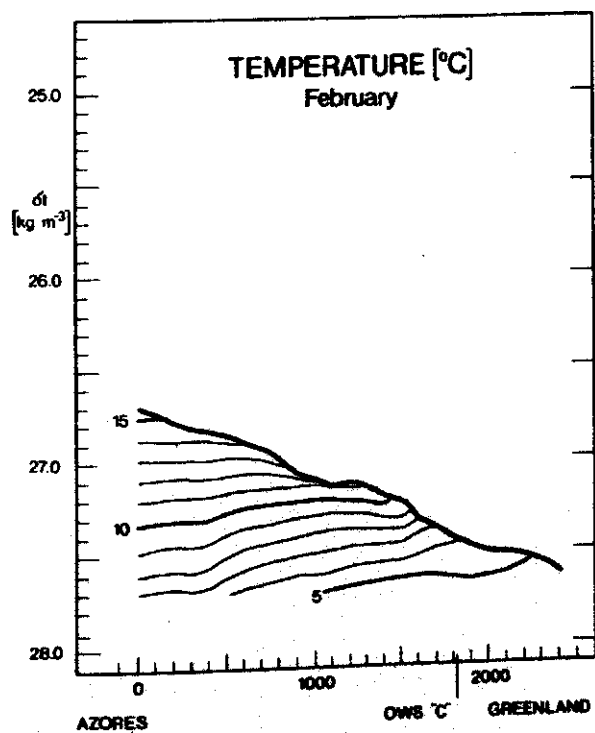


Fig. 138:  
AZORES - GREENLAND  
February



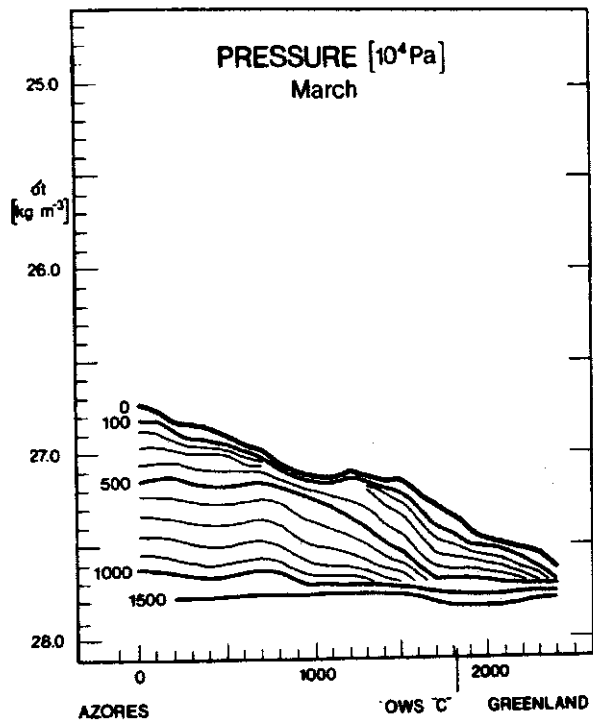
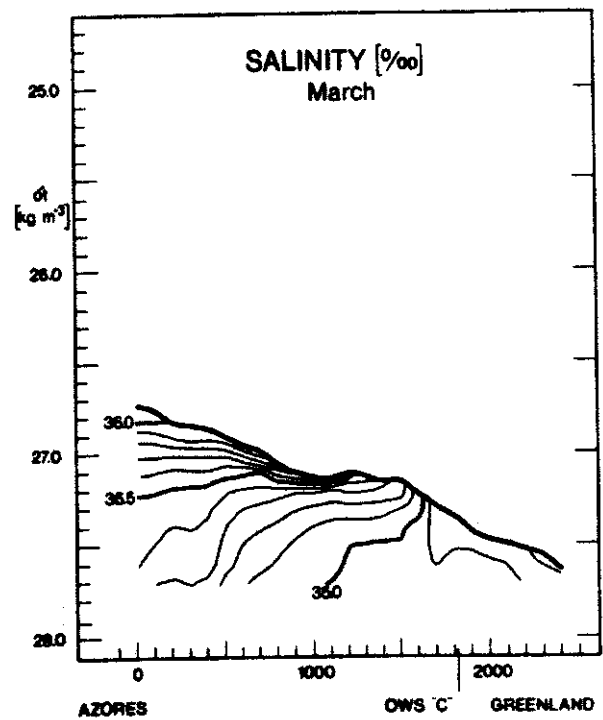
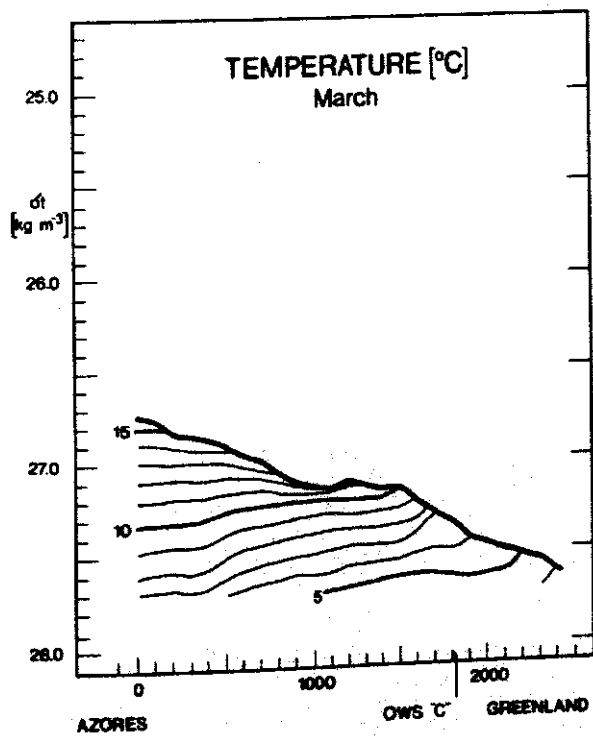


Fig. 139:

AZORES - GREENLAND  
March



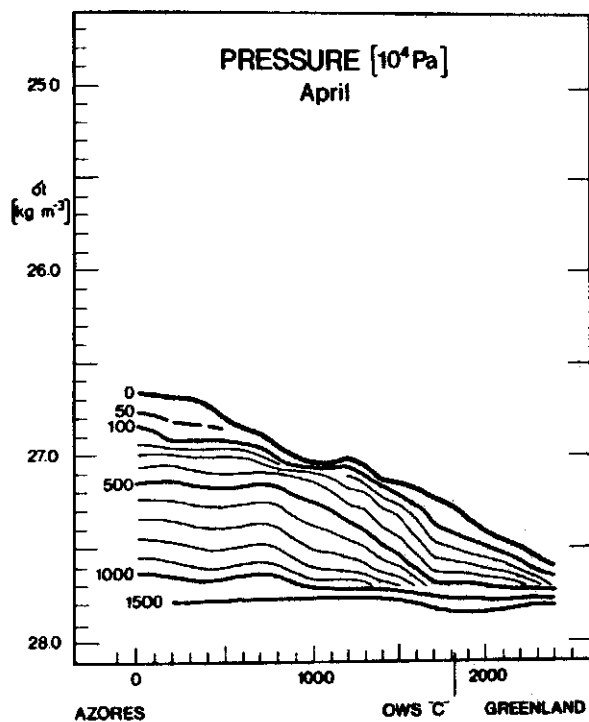
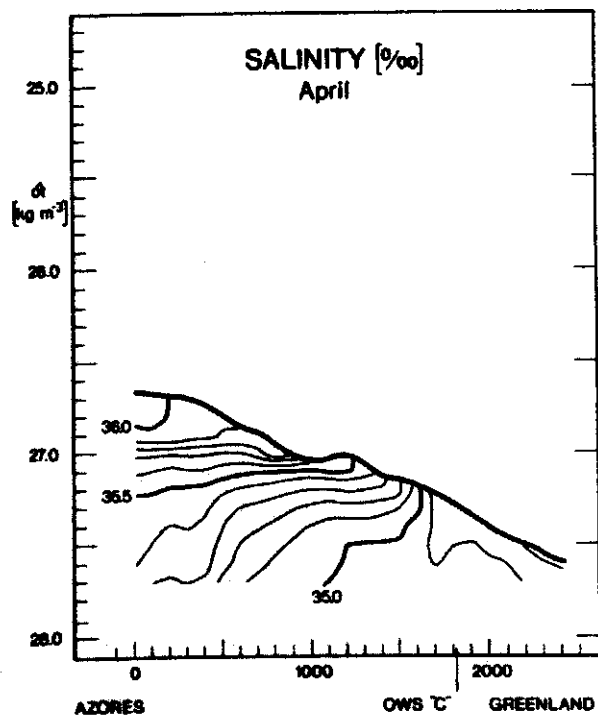
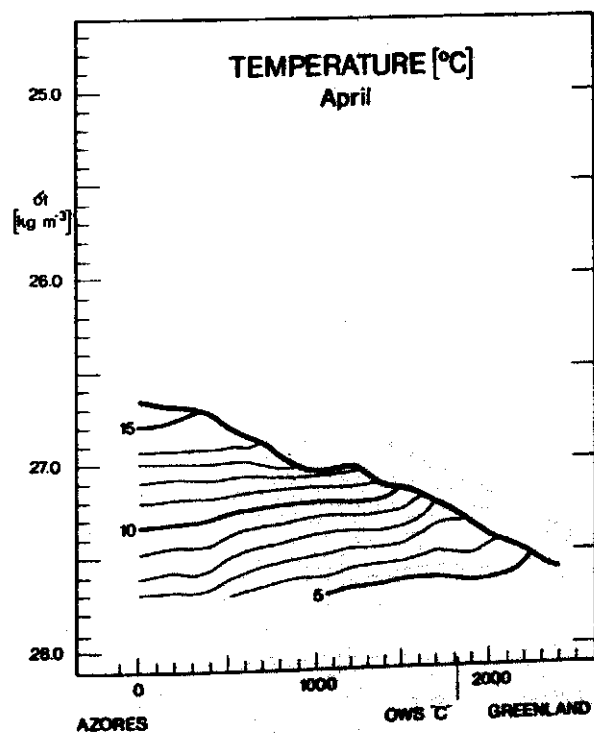


Fig. 140:  
AZORES - GREENLAND  
April



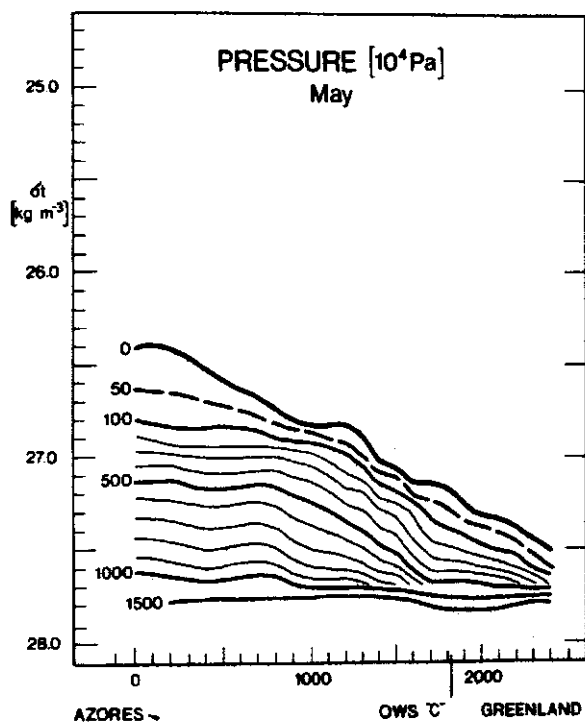
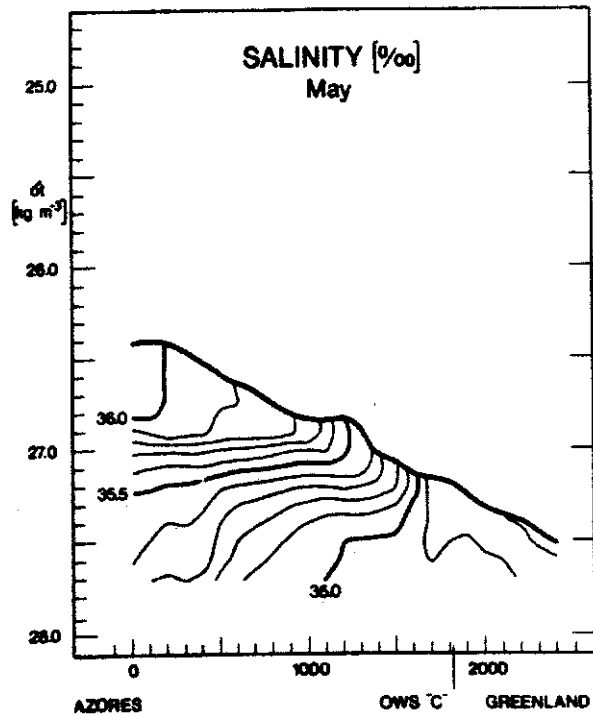
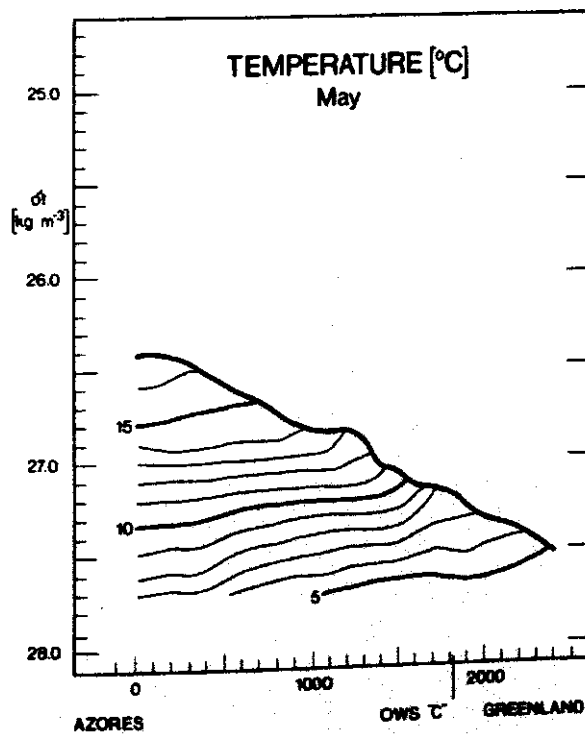


Fig. 141:  
AZORES - GREENLAND  
May





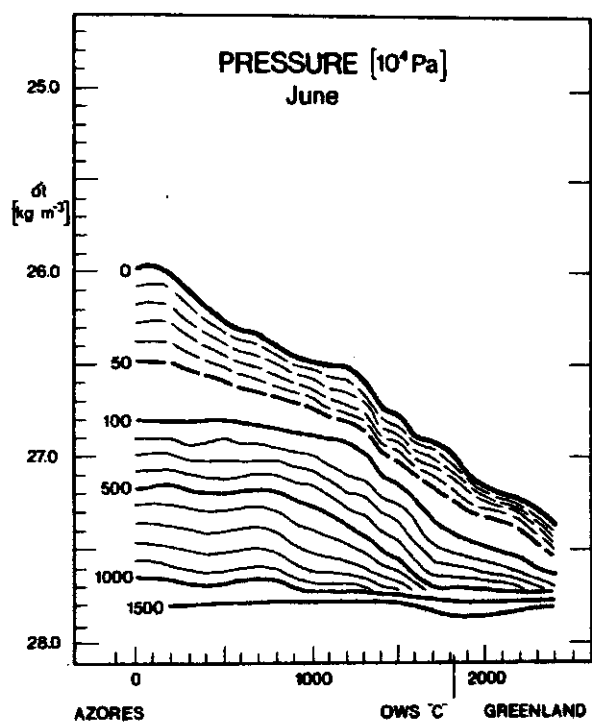
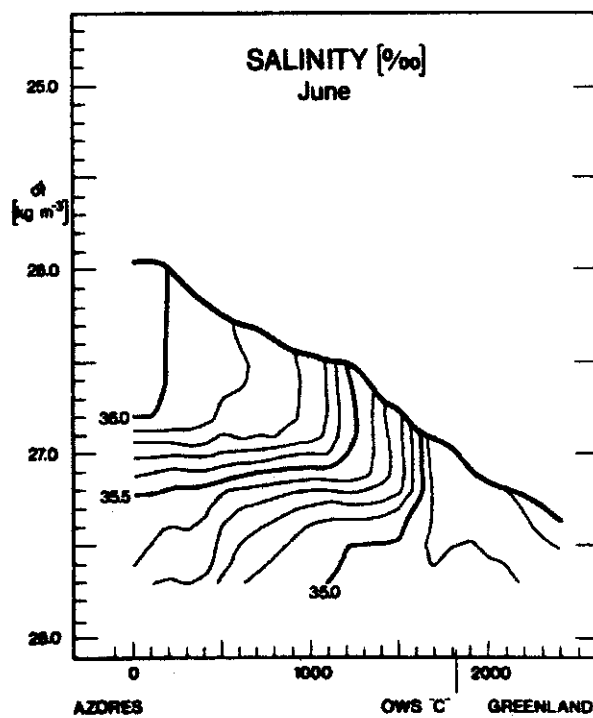
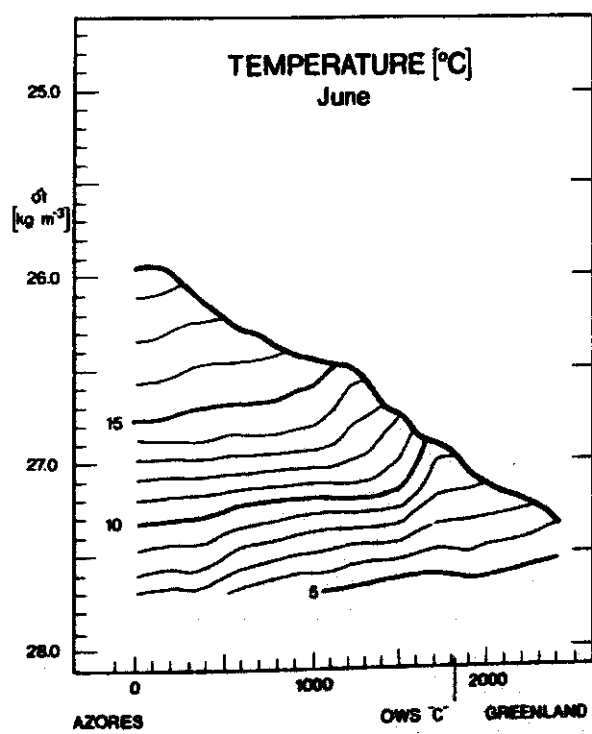


Fig. 142:

AZORES - GREENLAND  
June



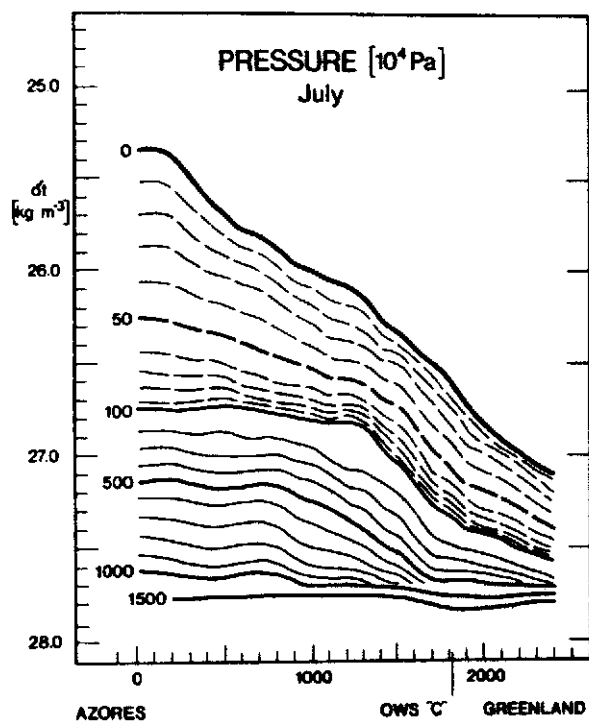
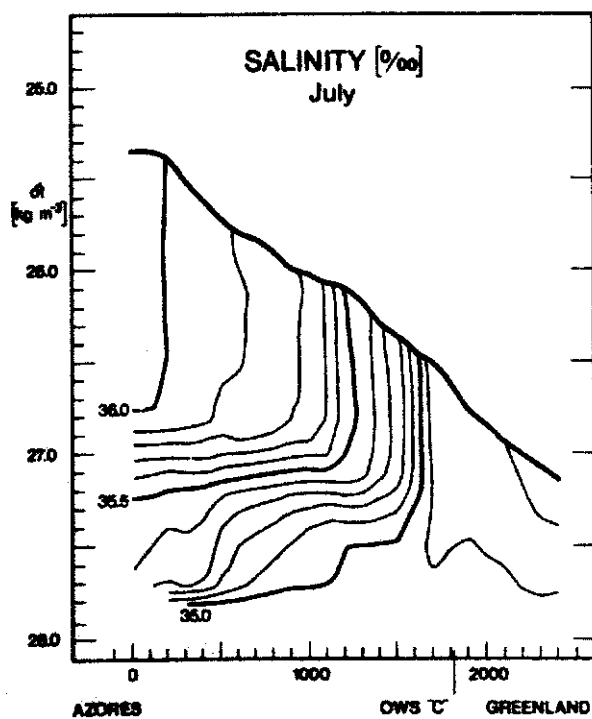
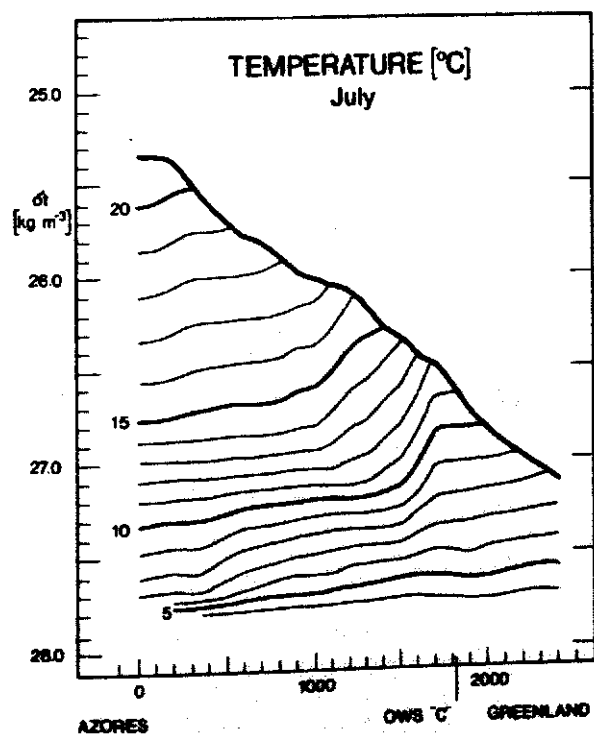


Fig. 143:

AZORES - GREENLAND  
July



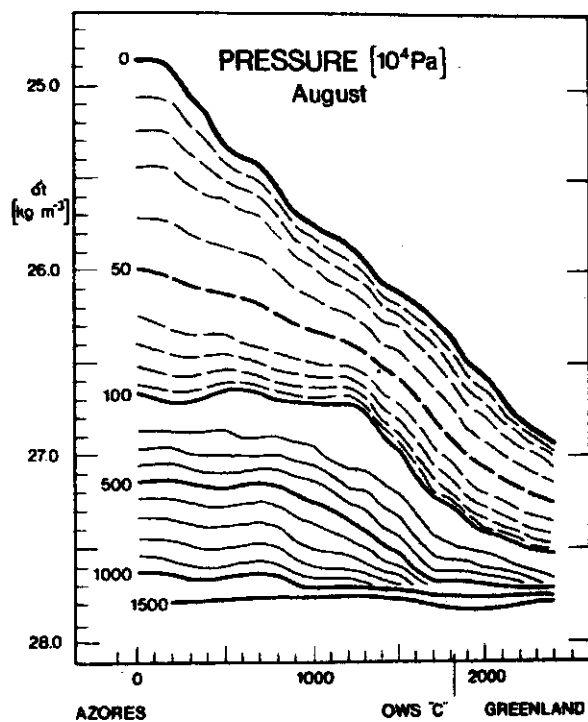
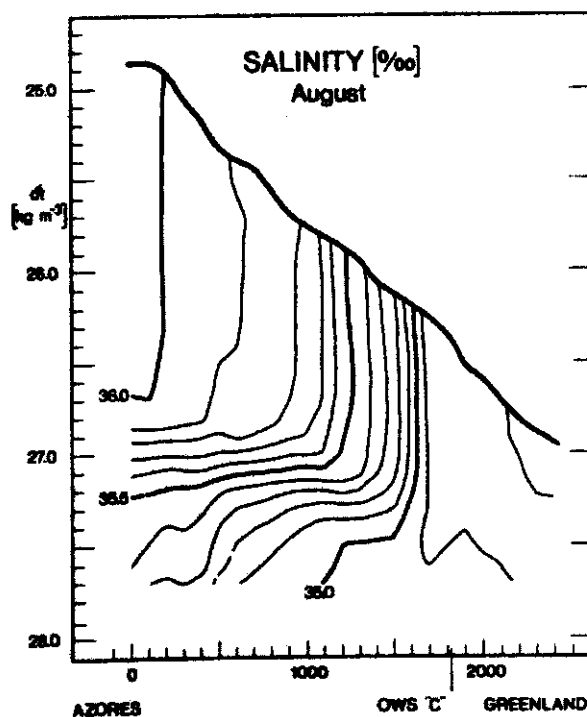
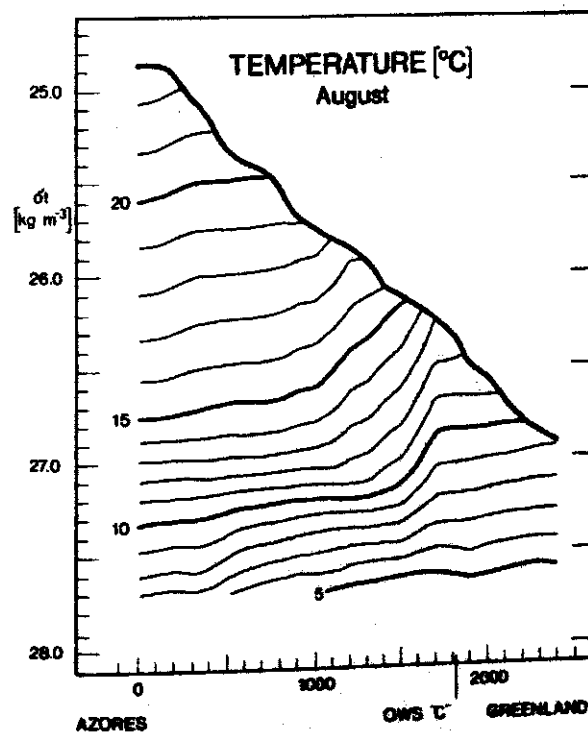


Fig. 144:

**AZORES - GREENLAND**  
**August**



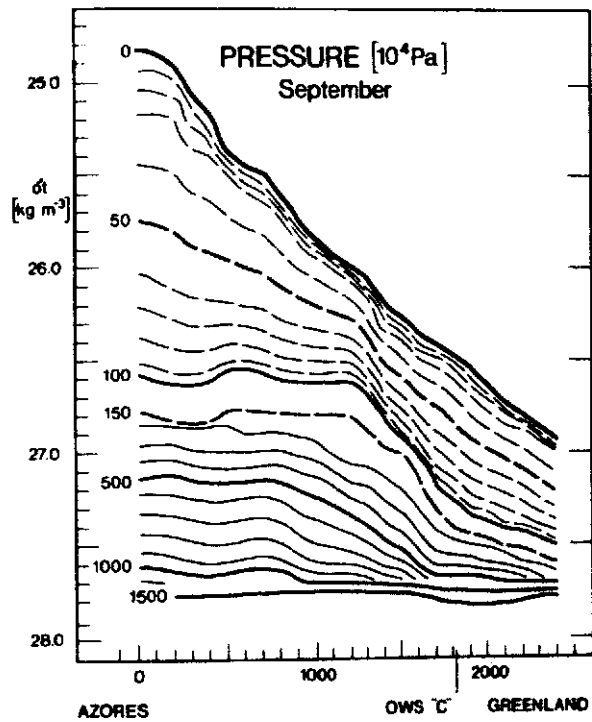
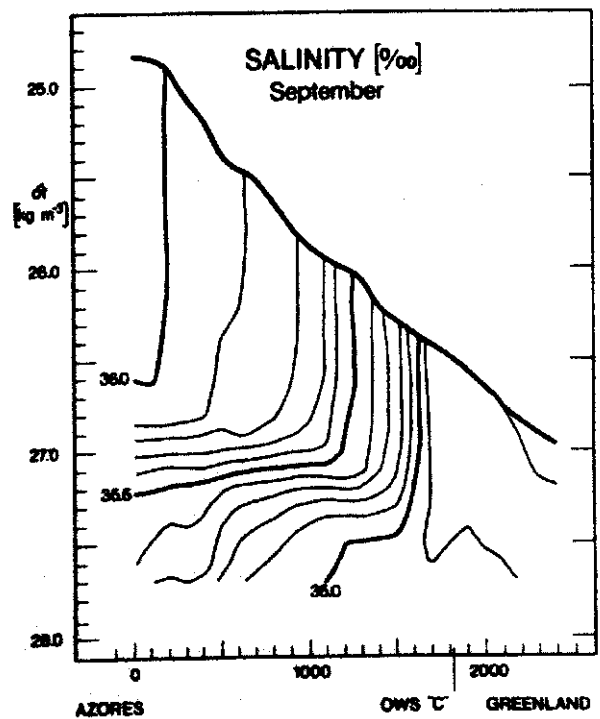
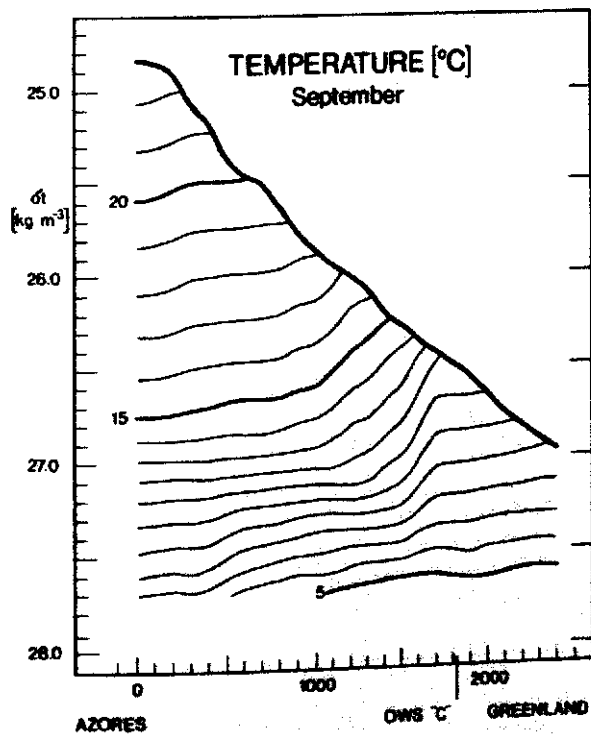


Fig. 145:

AZORES - GREENLAND  
September



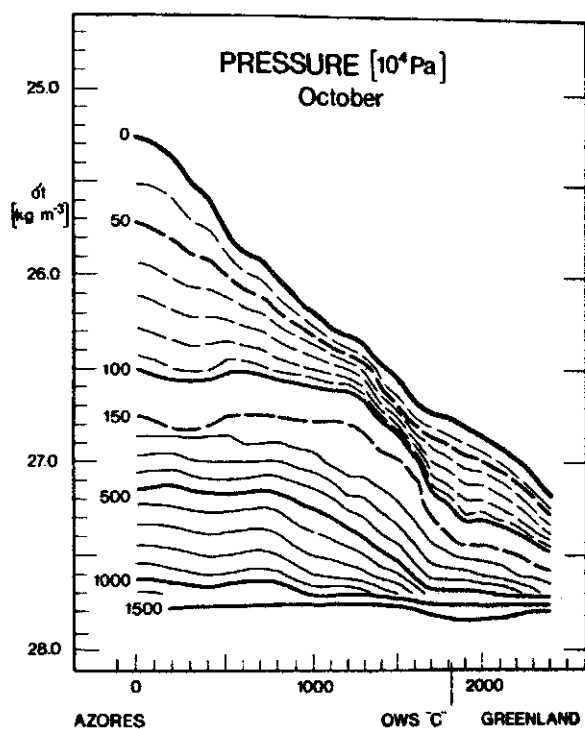
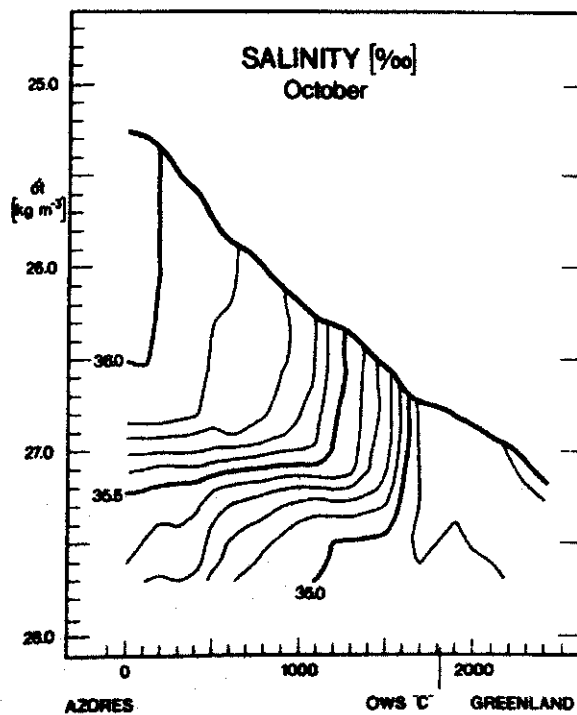
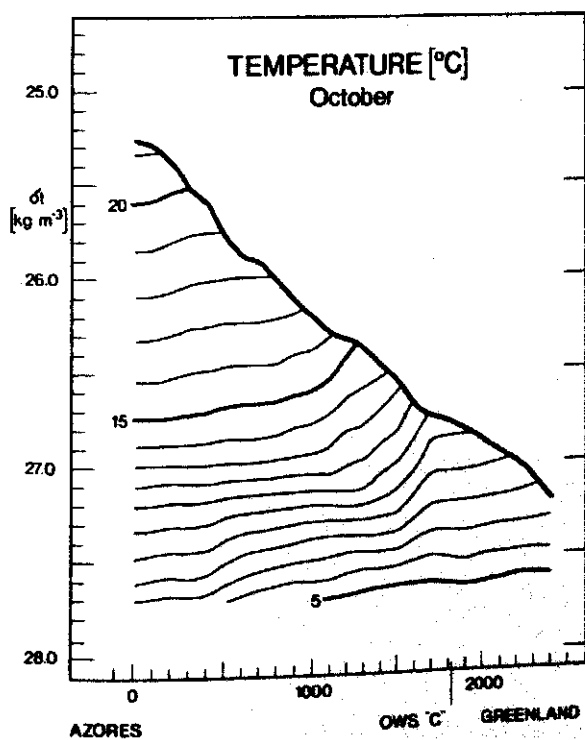


Fig. 146:  
AZORES - GREENLAND  
October



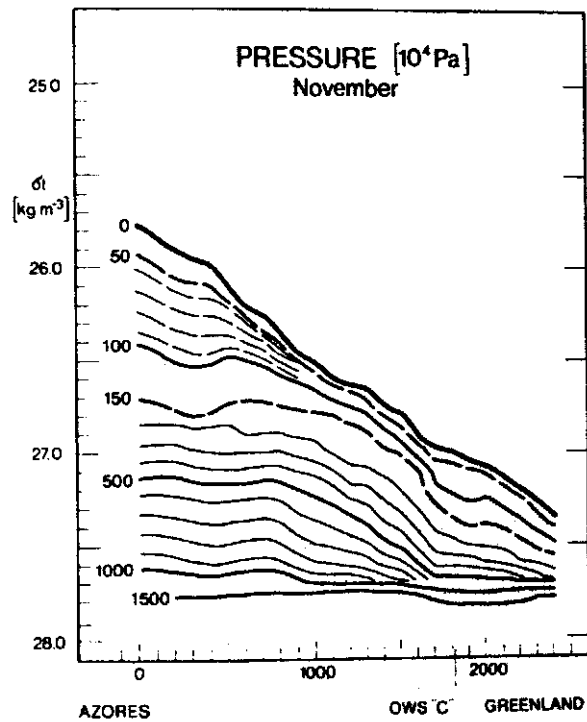
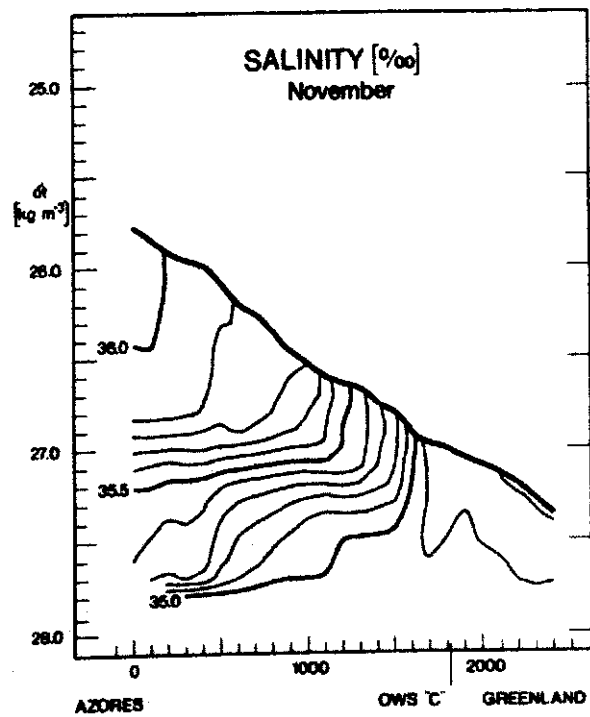
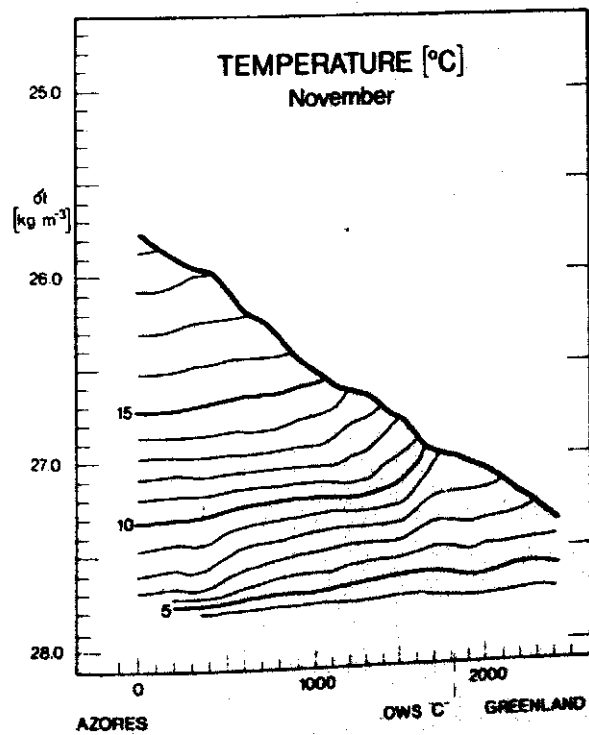


Fig. 147:  
AZORES - GREENLAND  
November



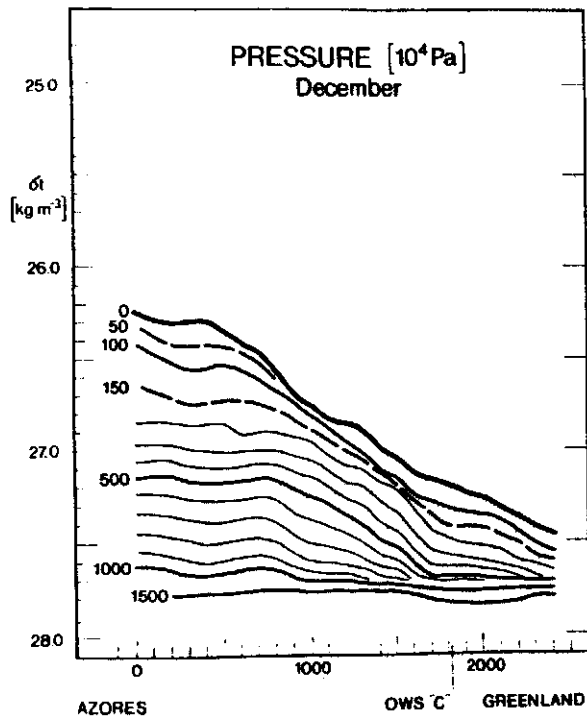
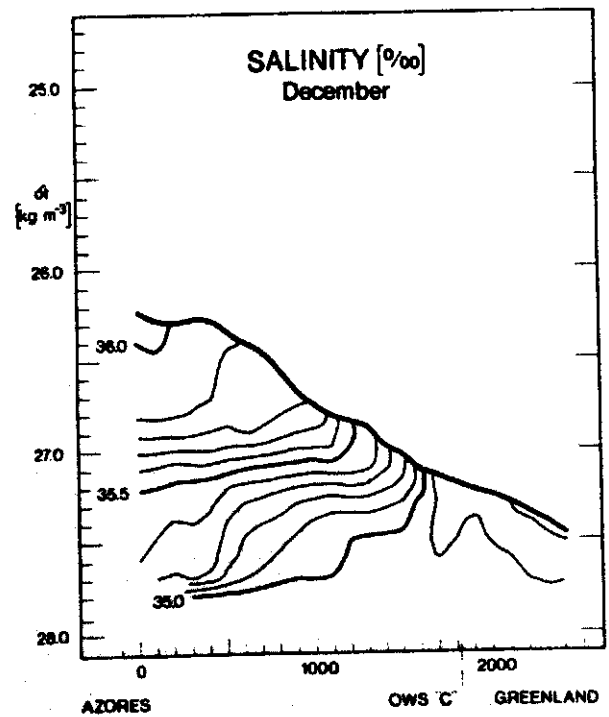
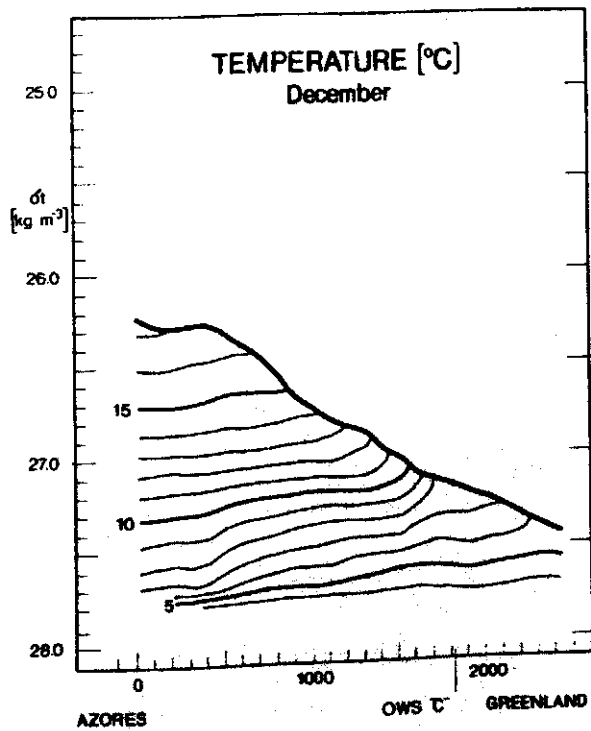


Fig. 148:

AZORES - GREENLAND  
December



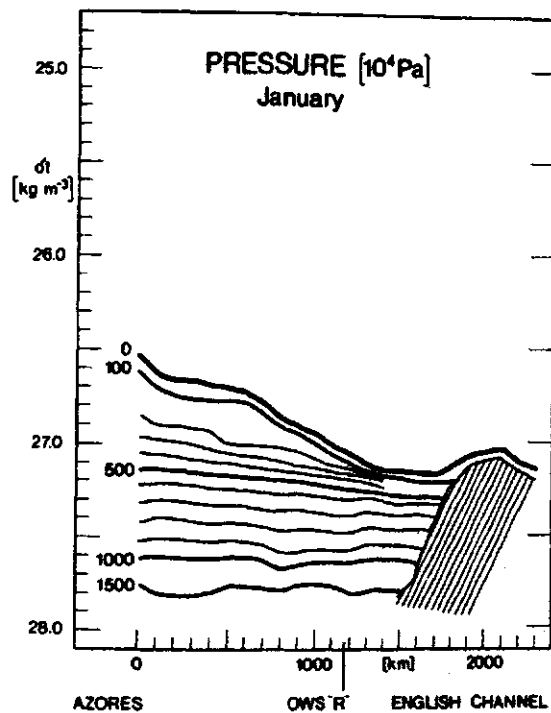
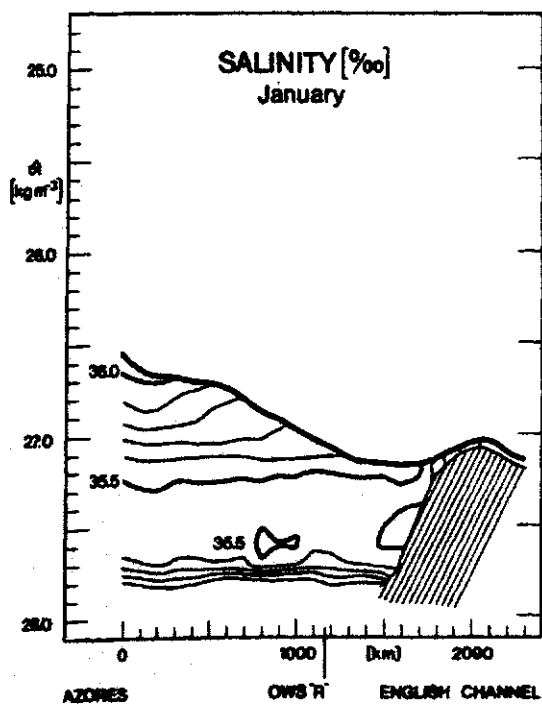
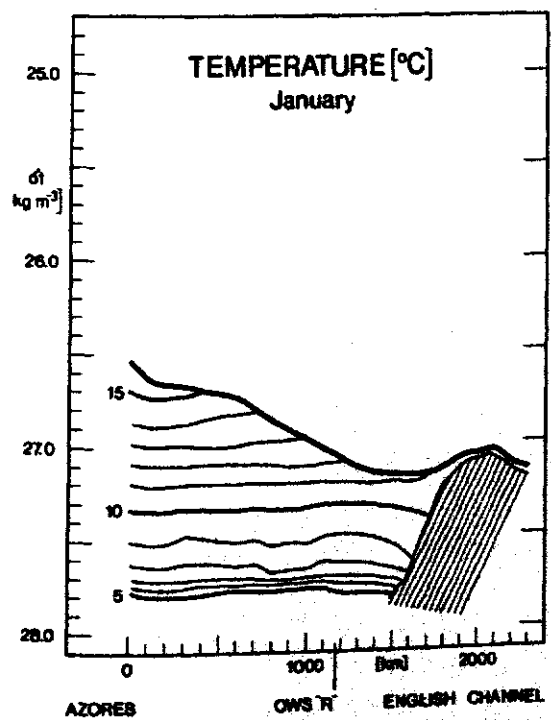


Fig. 149:

AZORES - ENGLISH CHANNEL  
January





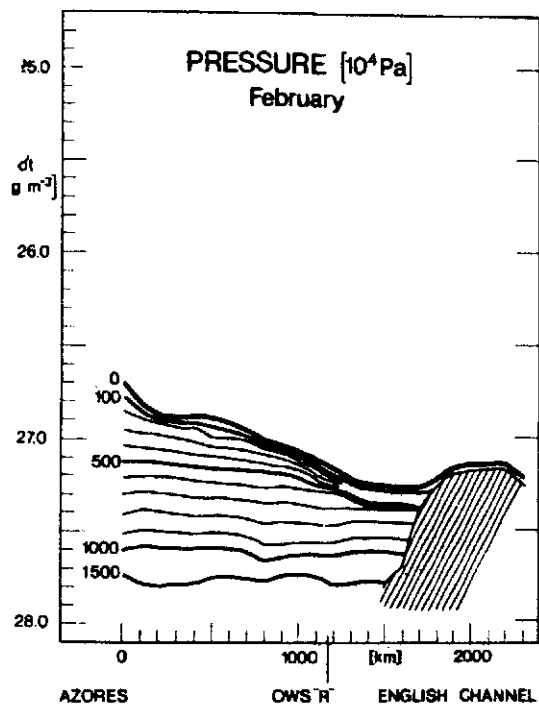
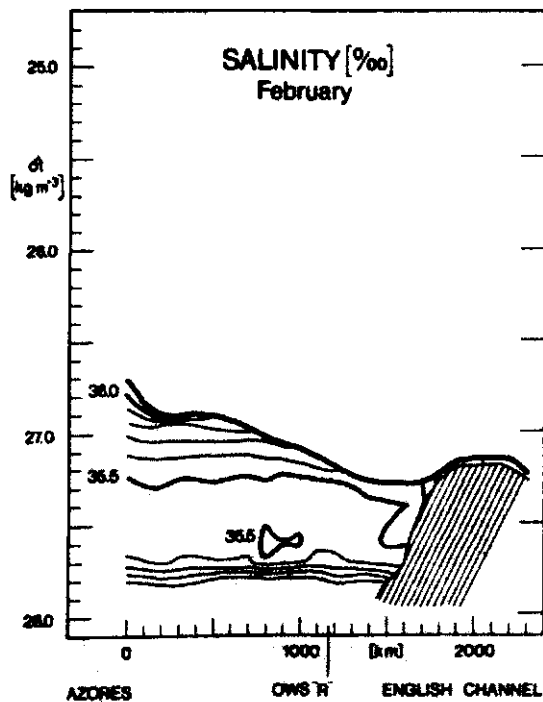
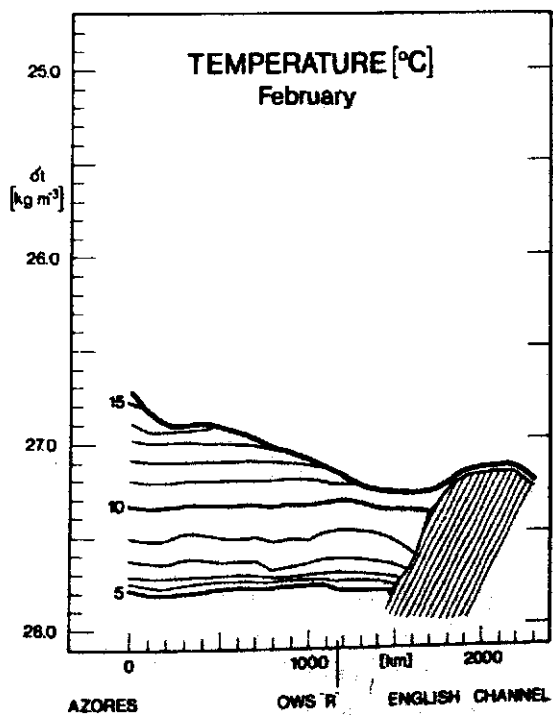


Fig. 150:

AZORES - ENGLISH CHANNEL  
February



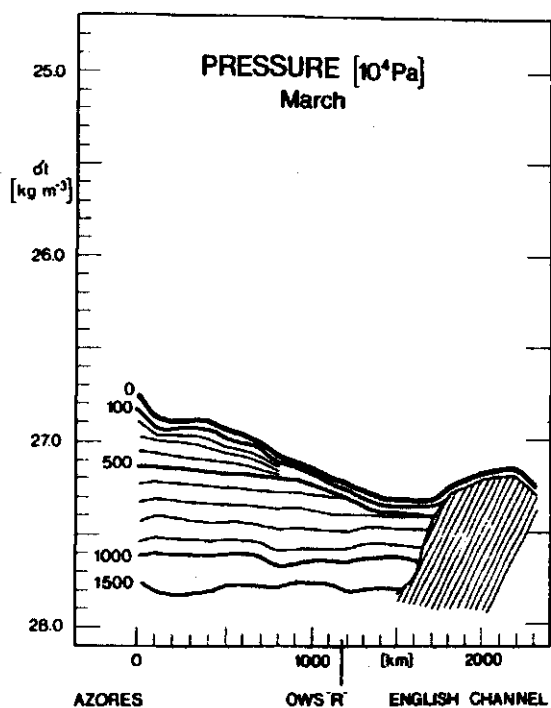
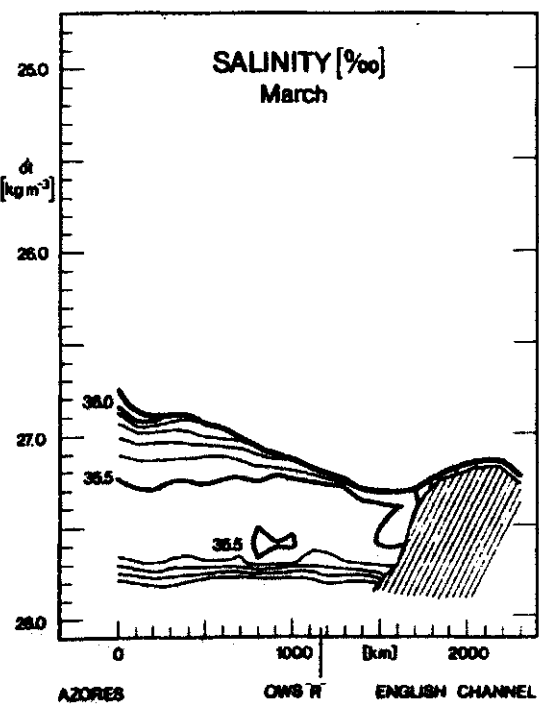
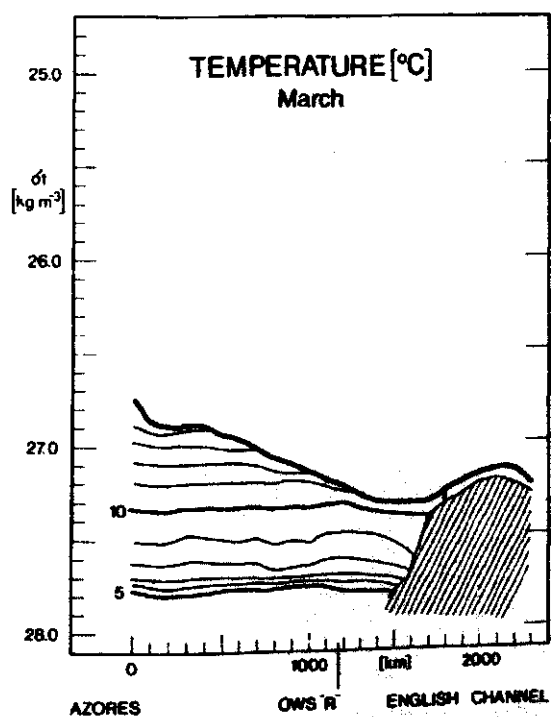


Fig. 151:

AZORES - ENGLISH CHANNEL  
March



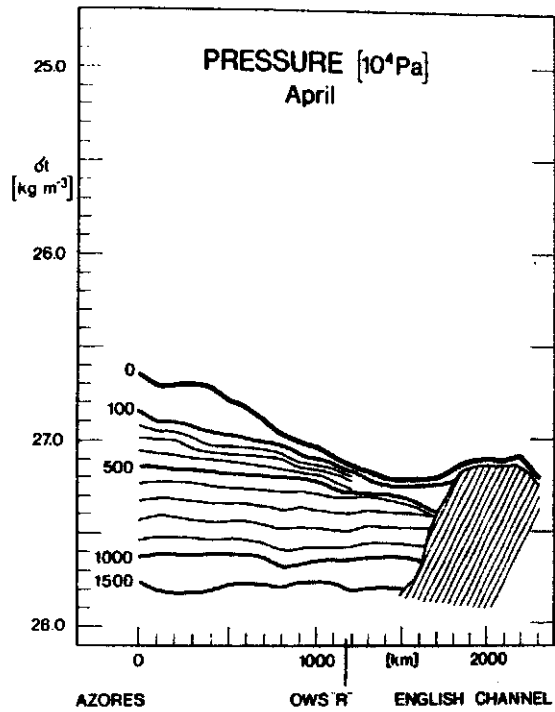
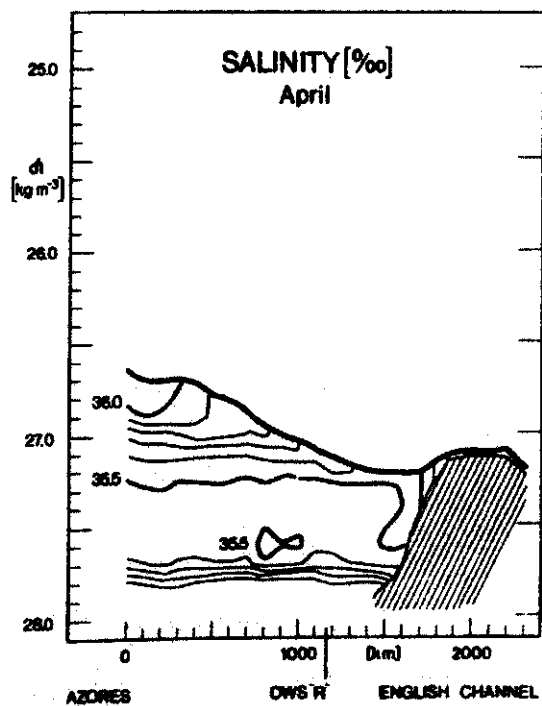
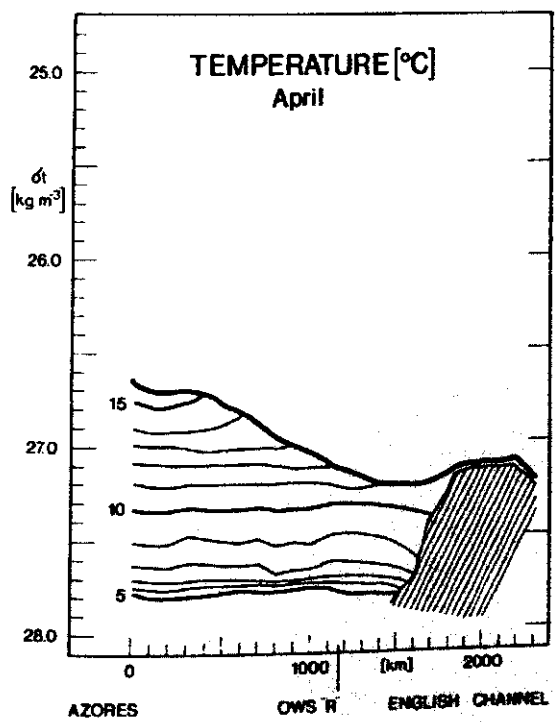


Fig. 152:

AZORES - ENGLISH CHANNEL  
April



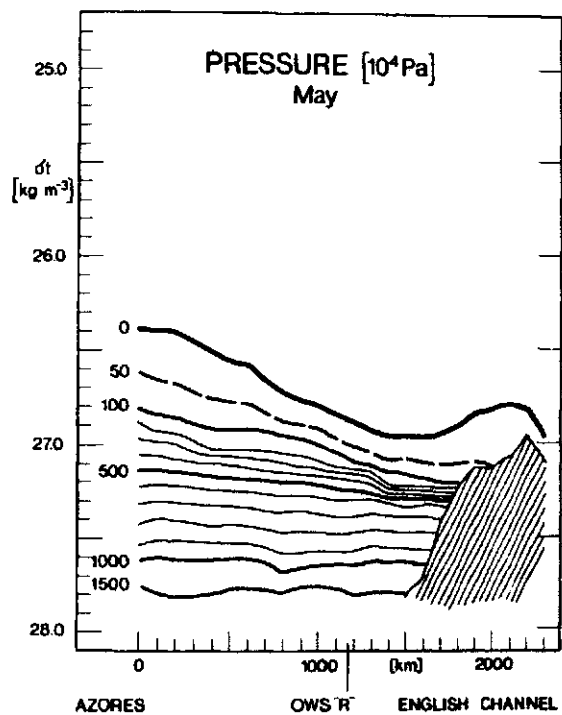
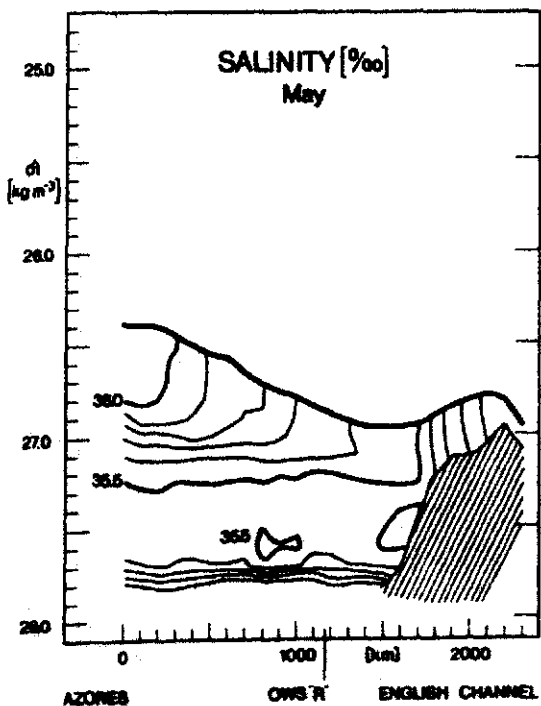
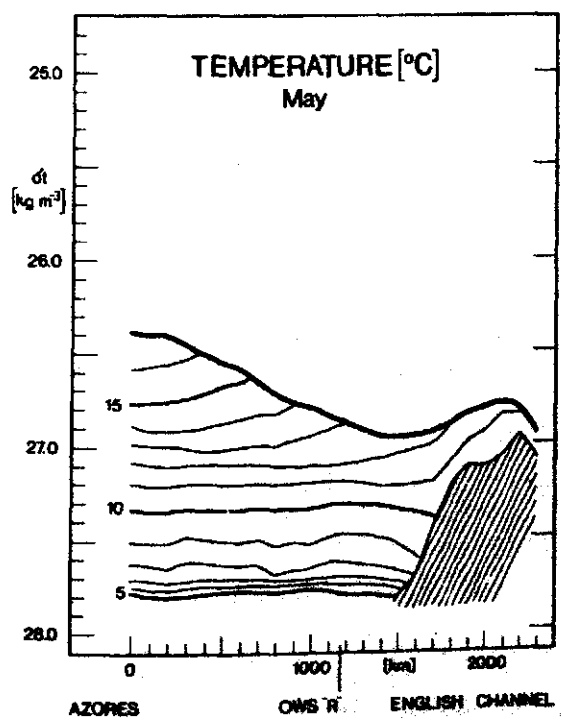


Fig. 153:

AZORES - ENGLISH CHANNEL  
May



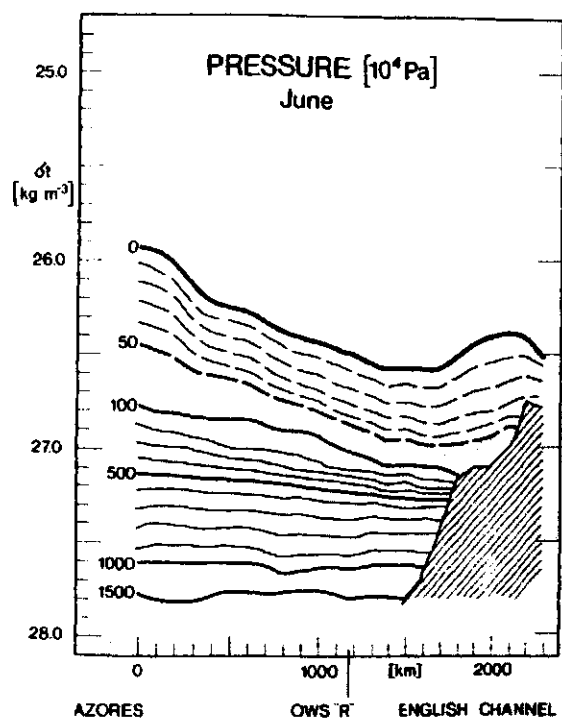
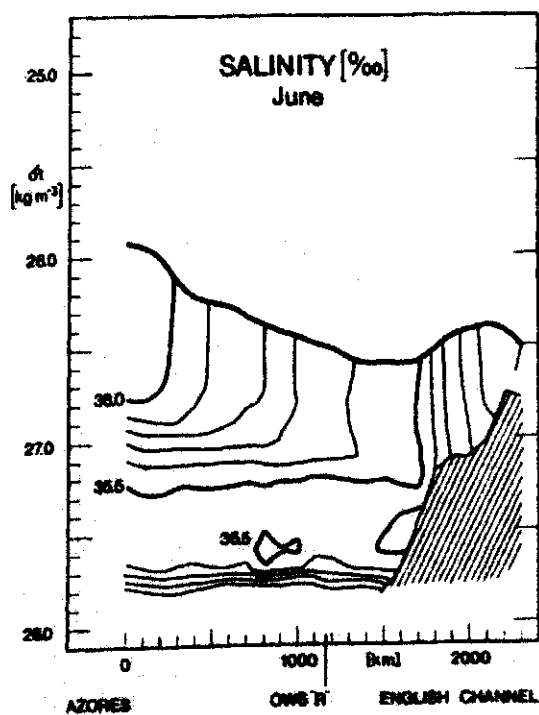
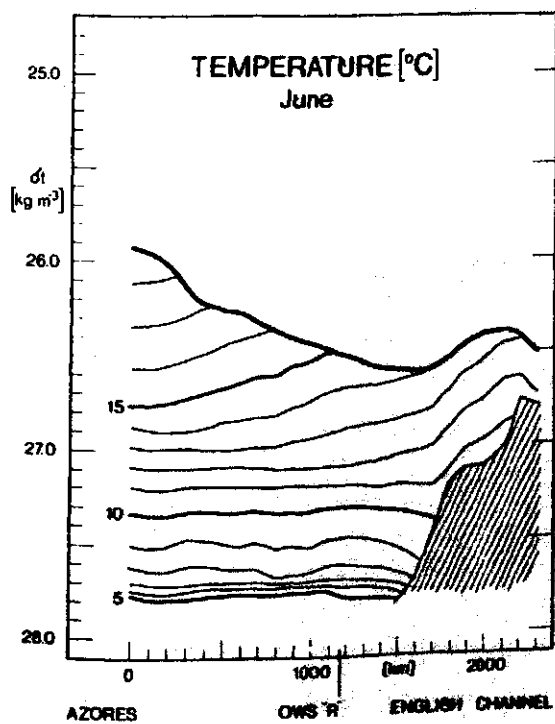


Fig. 154:

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June



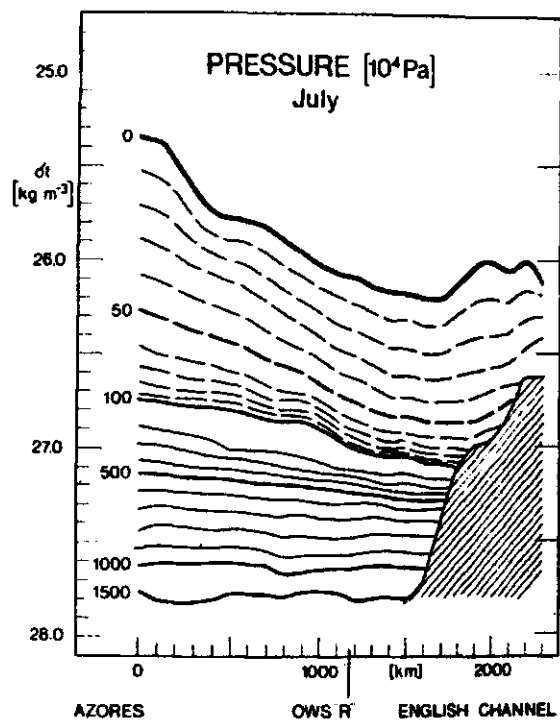
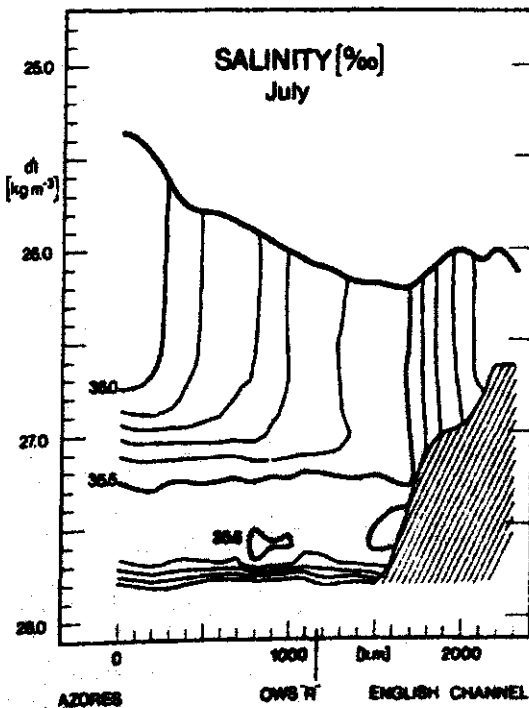
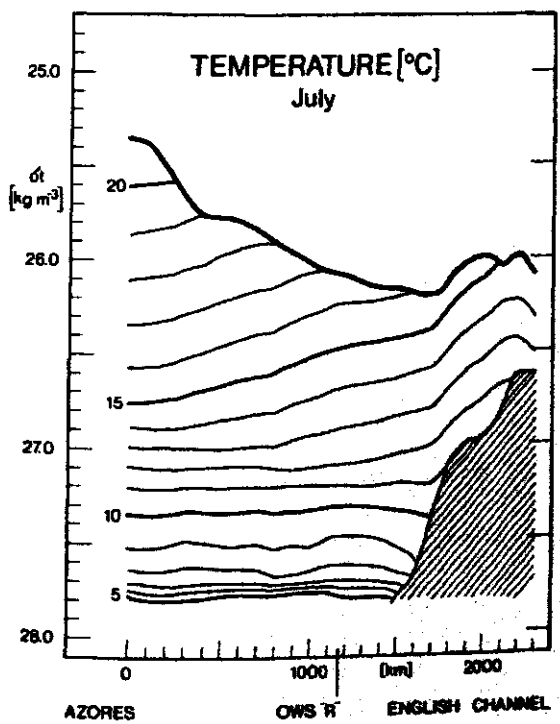


Fig. 155:

AZORES - ENGLISH CHANNEL  
July



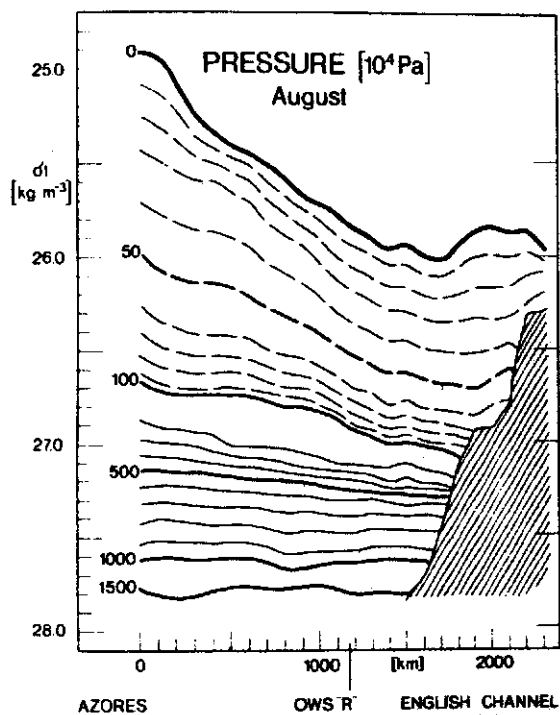
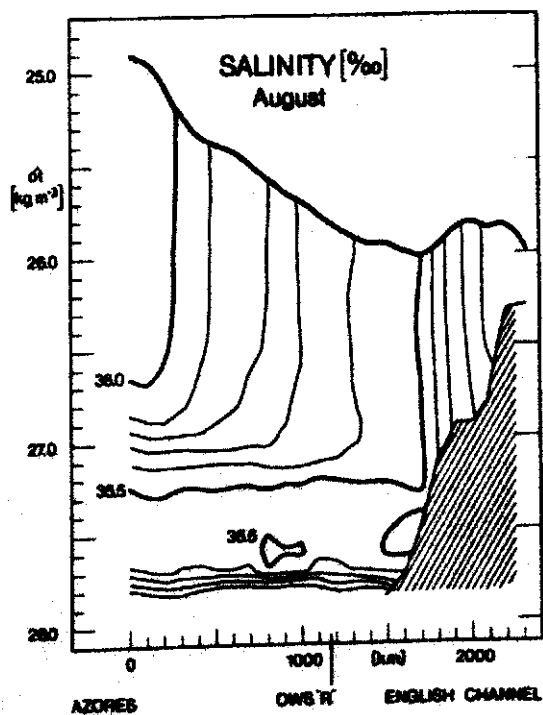
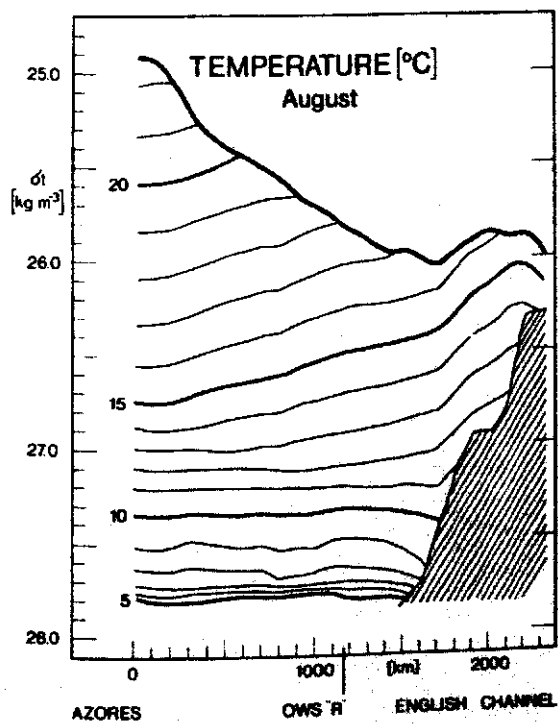


Fig. 156:

AZORES - ENGLISH CHANNEL  
August



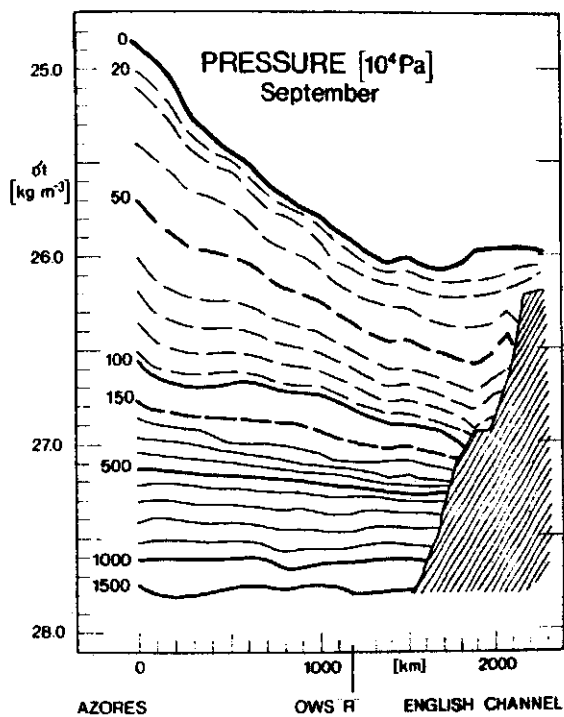
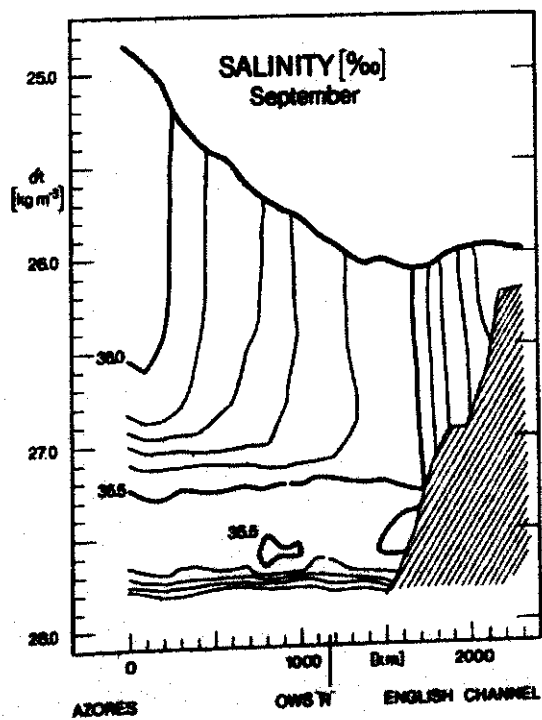
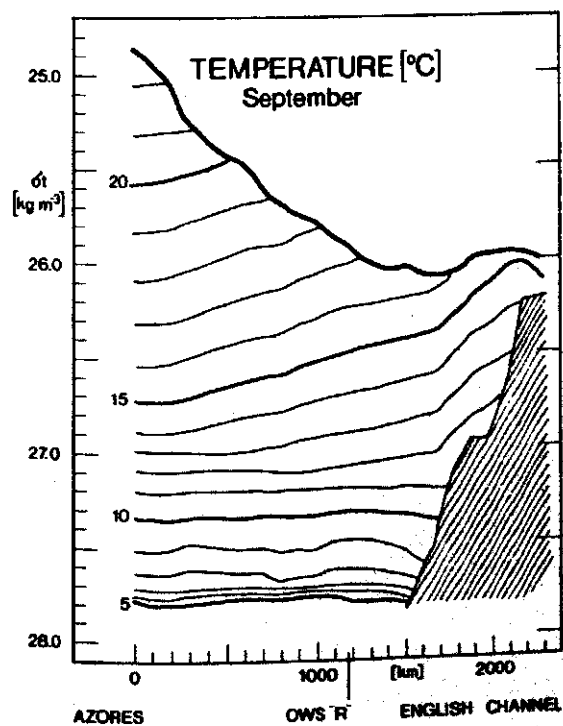


Fig. 157:

AZORES - ENGLISH CHANNEL  
September





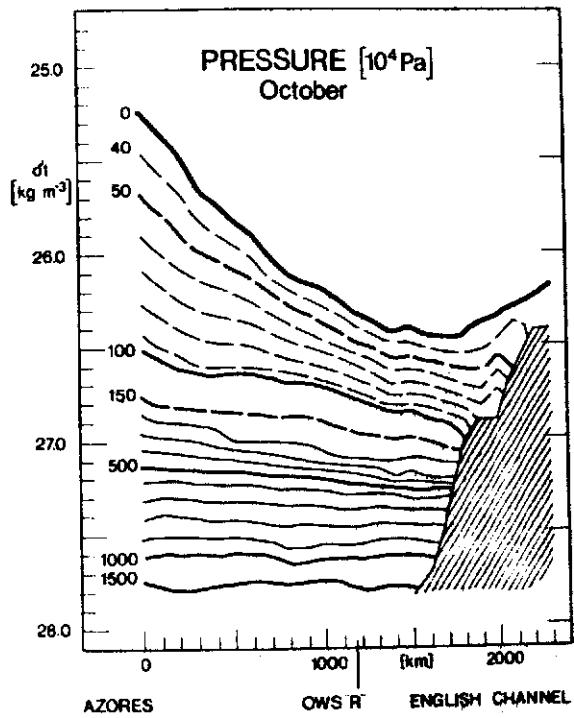
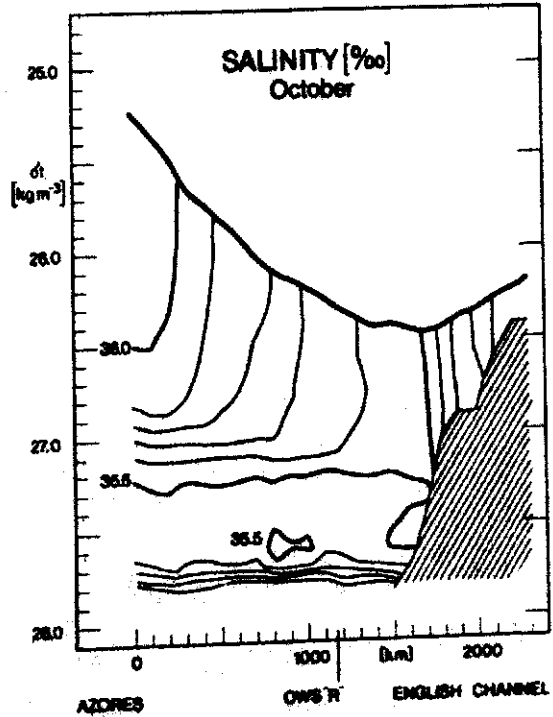
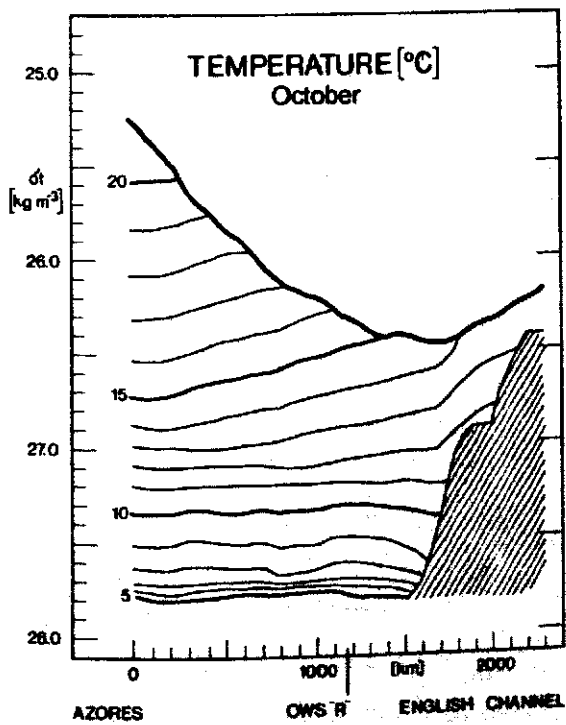


Fig. 158:

AZORES - ENGLISH CHANNEL  
October



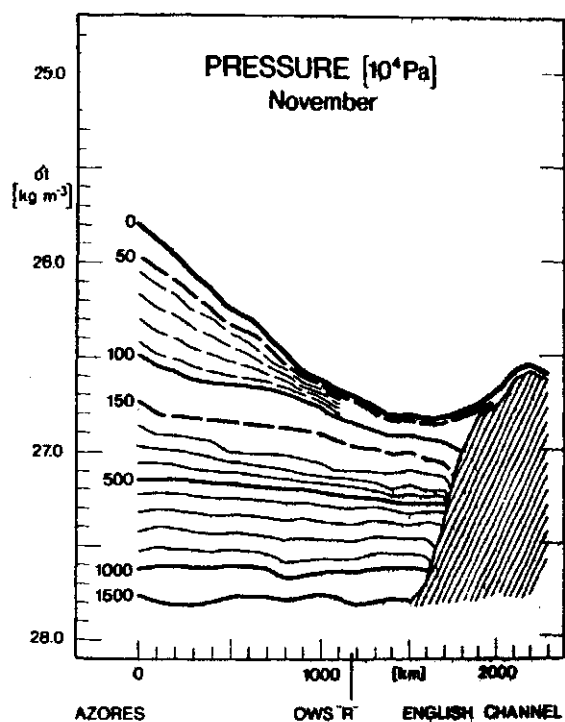
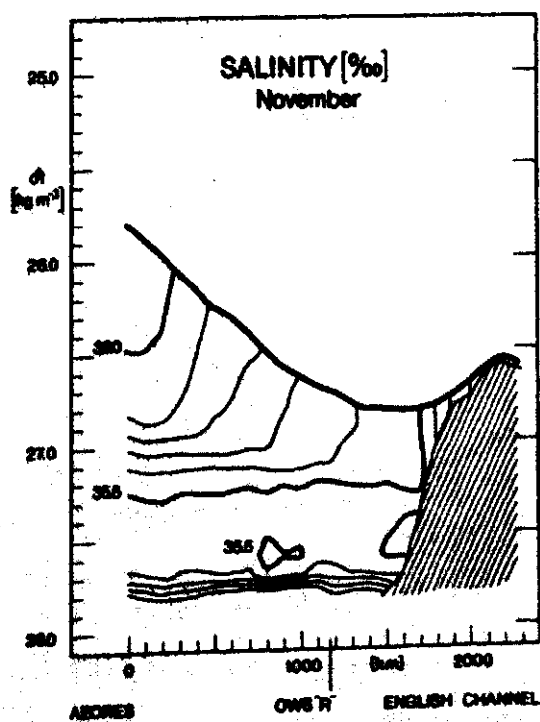
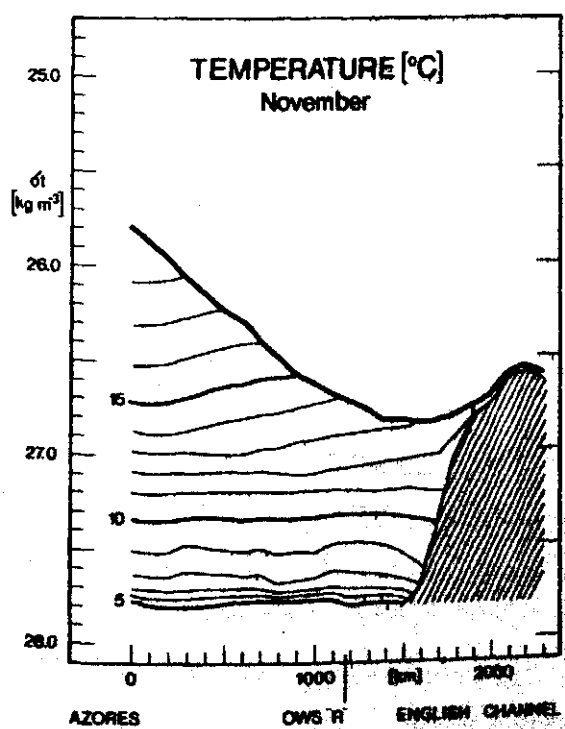


Fig. 159:

AZORES - ENGLISH CHANNEL  
November



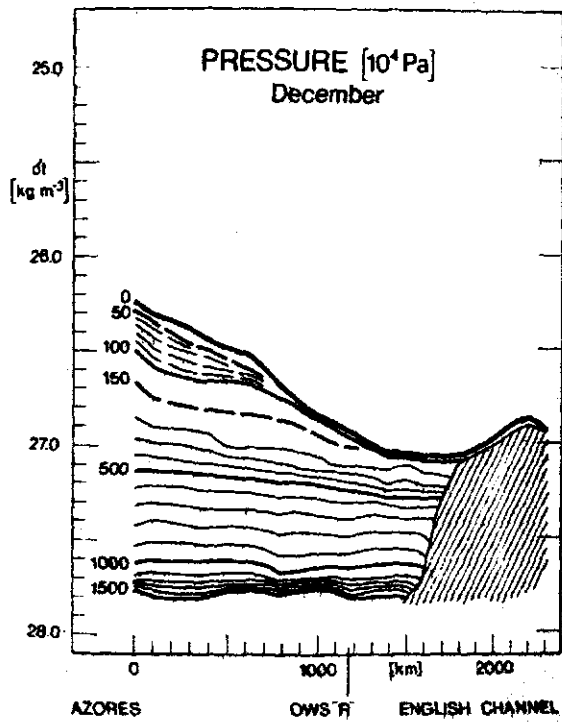


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